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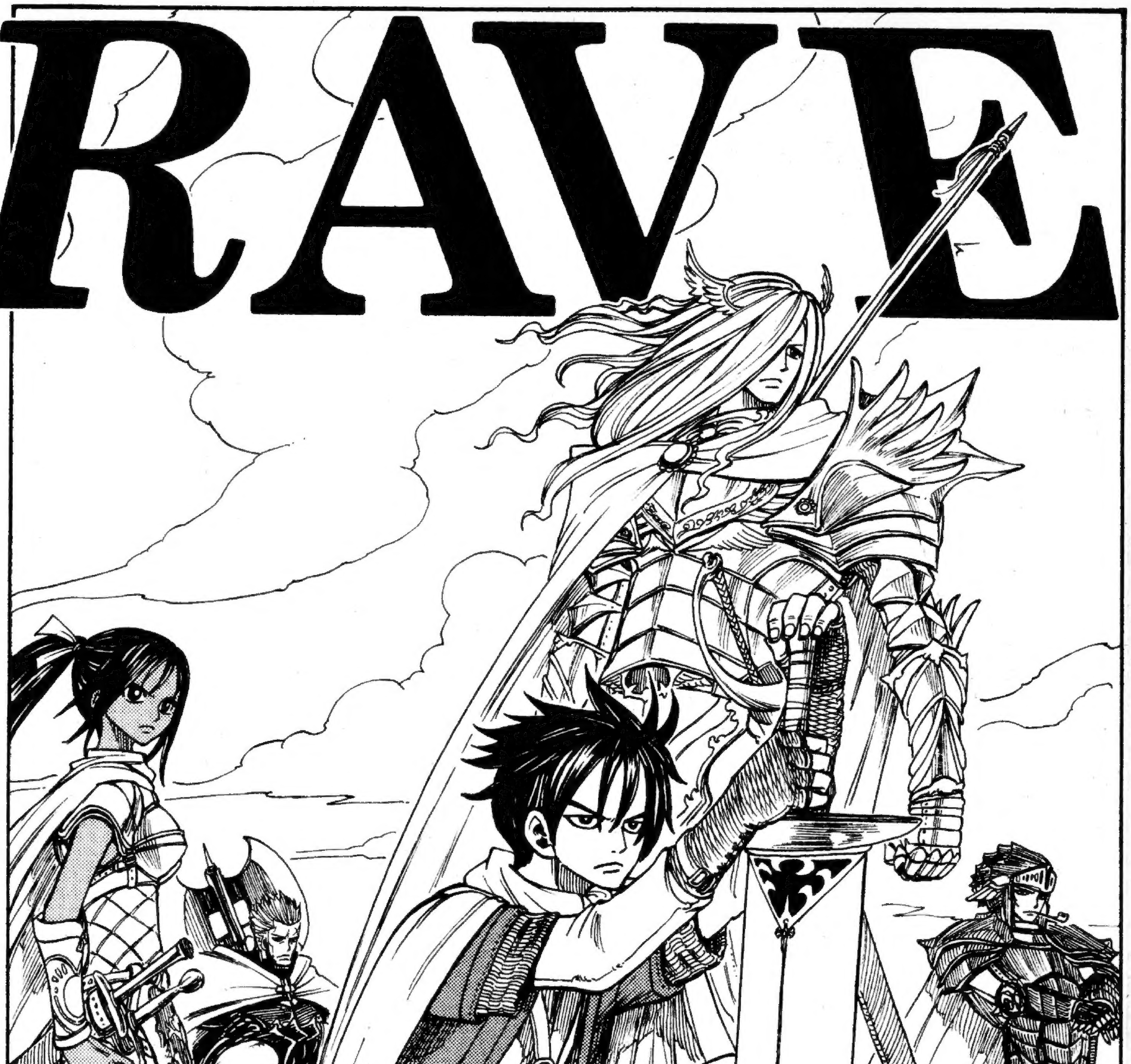

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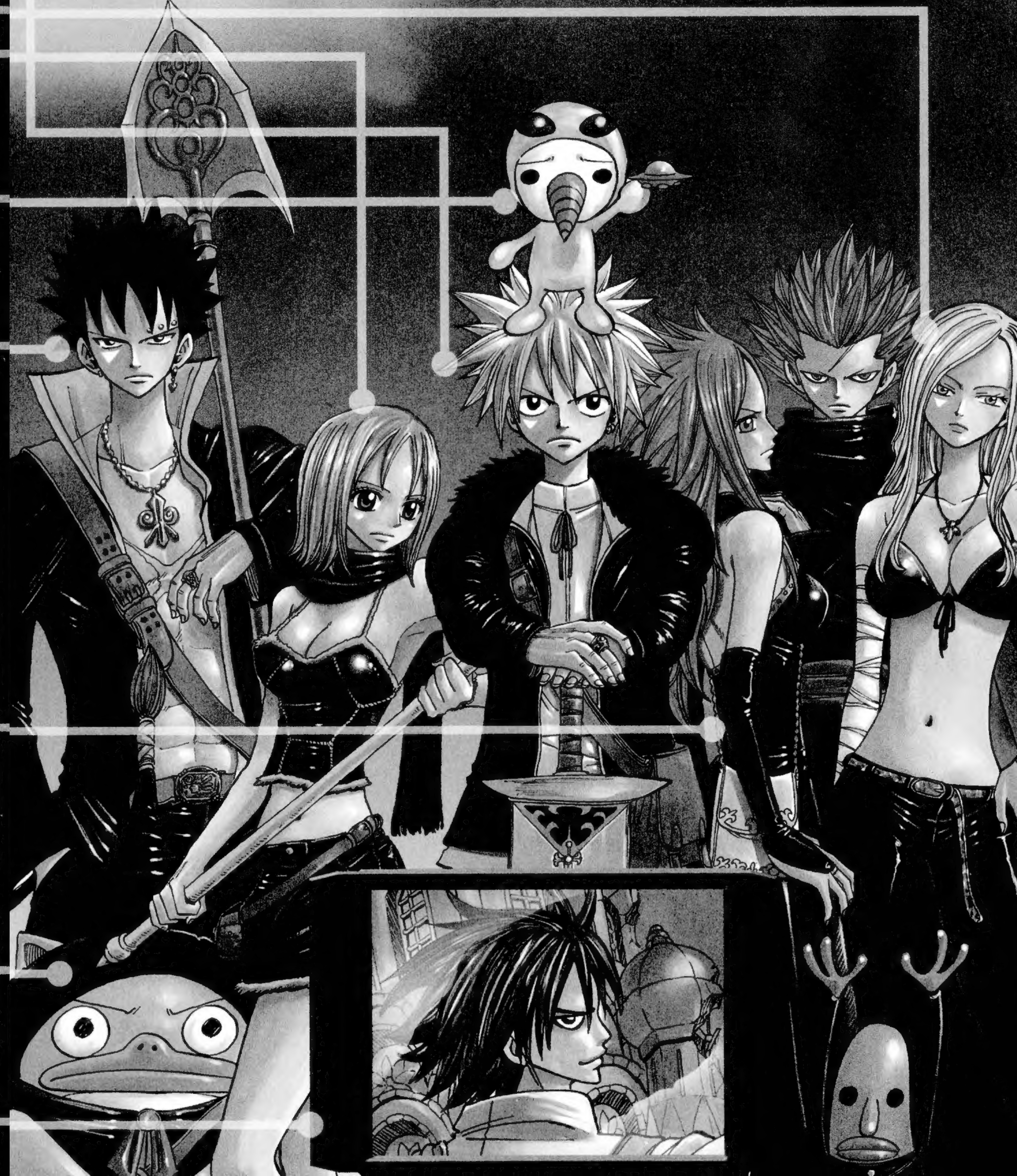
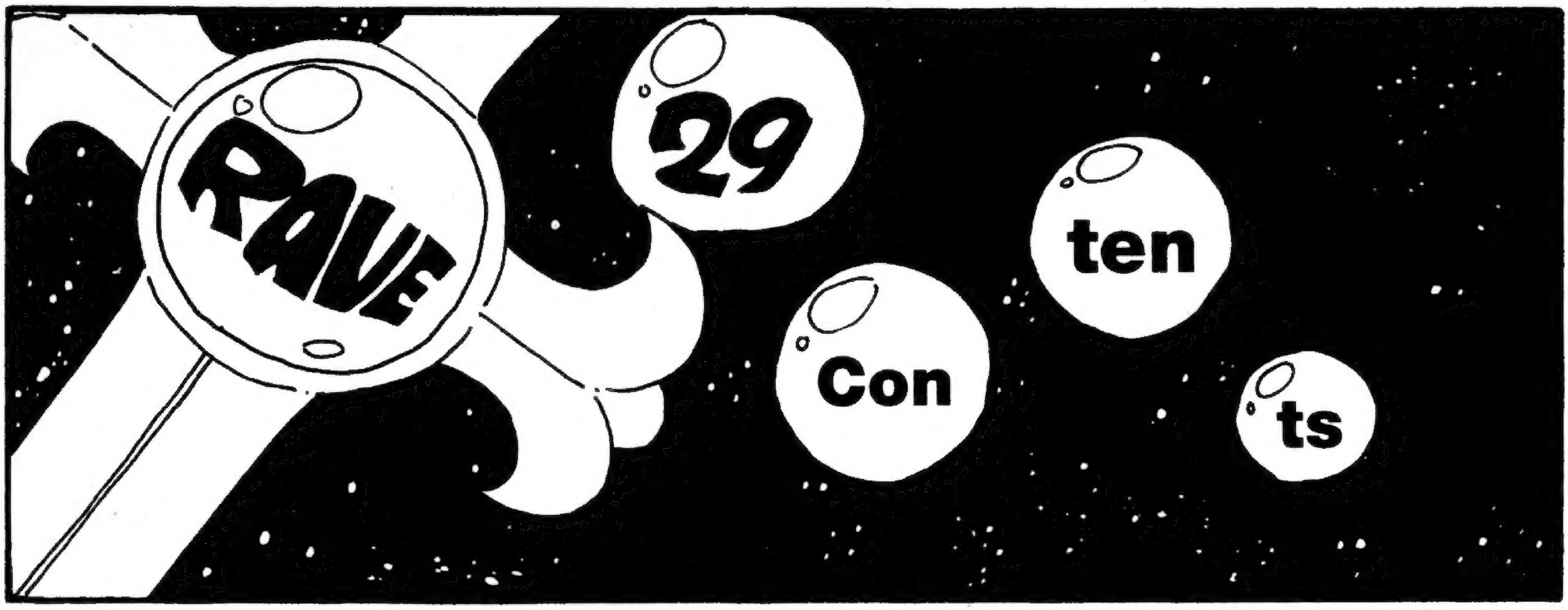
THE RAVE MASTER™ CREW

HARU GLORY	A small-town boy turned savior of the world. As the **Rave Master** (the only one capable of using the holy weapon RAVE), Haru set forth to find the missing Rave Stones and defeat Demon Card. He fights with the **Ten Powers Sword,** a weapon that takes on different forms at his command.
ELIE	The girl without memories. Elie joined Haru on his quest when he promised to help her find out about her past. She's cute, spunky and loves gambling and shopping in equal measures. Locked inside of her is the power of **Etherion.**
PLUE	The **Rave Bearer,** Plue is the faithful companion to the Rave Master. In addition to being Haru's guide, Plue also has powers of his own. When he's not getting Haru into or out of trouble, Plue can be found enjoying a sucker, his favorite treat.
MUSICA	A **Silverclaimer** (an alchemist who can shape silver at will) and a former street punk who made good. He joined Haru for the adventure, but now that Demon Card is defeated, does he have any reason to stick around?
LET & JULIA	Members of the Dragon Race. Let was formerly a member of Demon Card's Five Palace Guardians. He was so impressed by Haru's fighting skills and pureness of heart that he made a truce with the Rave Master. Julia was trapped in dragon form for years, but Let was able to free her and she joined the team.
BELNIKA	As a young girl, she was experimented on in an attempt to artificially access Etherion. Hardner fooled her into fighting for evil until Haru exposed the truth and she joined his side.
GRIFFON KATO (GRIFF)	Griff is a loyal friend, even if he is a bit of a coward. His rubbery body can stretch and change shape as needed. Griff's two greatest pleasures in life are mapmaking and peeping on Elie.
RUBY	A penguin-type sentinoid, Ruby loves rare and unusual items. After Haru saved him from Pumpkin Doryu's gang, Ruby agreed to sponsor Haru's team in their search for the ultimate rare treasures: the Rave Stones!
SHIBA	The first Rave Master, before Haru. Fifty years ago he was an unparalleled fighter known as the Sword Saint, but now he's a white-haired old man.

RECENTLY...

Haru and the gang finally defeated Hardner's quest to summon the monster **Endless**, the **King of Oblivion**, but they're not out of the woods yet! When it seemed like Hardner was going to repent his evil ways, **Lucia Raregroove** suddenly appeared and stabbed Hardner in order to steal his **Mother Dark Bring**. Now Lucia lacks only one of the Mother Dark Brings—but Haru is on the trail of the final **Rave Stone**...a trail that leads the gang into a mysterious tunnel...





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Super Mobile Fortress RAVE
Fly! Heroes of Love!
So many tears flow from the glittering stars of space...
You DO remember love, don't you...?
Summer, 0068
ROADSHOW

RAVE:236 ✠ VOICE OF THE LABYRINTH

SO THIS IS THE WAY IN, HUH?
AND SHIBA WAS HERE.
I WONDER WHO BUILT THIS THING?

IT'S HARD TO SAY. THE ROCKS SEEM TO BE HUNDREDS OF YEARS OLD.
ガリ ガリ
SEE ANYTHING, JULIA?
IT'S TOO DARK-- EVEN FOR DRAGON RACE EYES.
IF YOU SEE GHOSTS, DON'T TELL ME, POYO.
STILL NOT FEELING WELL?
ER... I'M ALL RIGHT.
RELAX. WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!
ガン
HARU!
BUH.

NOW YOU **JINXED** US, MAN.
ROCK... SKULL...
YOU OKAY?
Puun!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
IT'S THE WORK OF GHOSTS, POYO!
A-ANYWAY. ONWARD AND...OW.
ずり ずり
Sigh...
WHO **DID** BUILD THIS TUNNEL?
GHOSTS, POYO.
GET REAL.
....

THIS IS ANOTHER DEAD END.
DIDN'T WE PASS HERE EARLIER?
NO--THAT PLACE GOT SEALED UP.
BELNIKA JUST FAINTED!
I KNEW SHE WAS USELESS.
GRIFF, LEMME SEE THE MAP.
CERTAINLY! BEHOLD MY FLAWLESS CARTOGRAPHY!
Rise and shine. Now.
WHY WOULD YOU DRAW THAT?
MAN, WHAT A MAZE!

WAIT A MINUTE... ACCORDING TO THIS, ALL THE TUNNELS ARE BLOCKED.
YES; WE'VE WALKED ALL THE PATHS.
THEN WE CRAWLED THROUGH THIS RAT HOLE FOR A WHOLE LOT OF NOTHING?
REALLY ?!
NO. I **KNOW** SHIBA WENT THIS WAY.
ぐ''ぐ''ぐ''...
THERE'S PROBABLY A HIDDEN PASSAGEWAY SOMEWHERE.
EVERYBODY GO INTO MYSTERY ADVENTURE MODE!
"HIDDEN," HUH?
HM.
HE'S OBSESSED, POYO.

DIDN'T YOU ALREADY CHECK ALL THE WALLS?
OF COURSE.
SO HARU'S JUST NUTS.
もにょもにょ
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
HUH? I JUST WANTED TO KNOW WHOSE WERE BIGGER.
SHE'S JUST AT THAT AGE. ♡
?!
カリロ
がくん
YAAAAAAAAAH!
ELIE!
I'LL BE DAMNED.
ELIE!
THAT'S QUITE A TRIGGER.
MAYBE THE DESIGNER WAS A PERV.
OR SPLENDID.
YOU OKAY, ELIE?!
HURTS! DARK! SCARED!
Aah!

……
BUCK UP, ELIE. WE'VE GOTTA KEEP MOVING.
JUST 'CUZ WE FOUND A SECRET PASSAGE DOESN'T MEAN...
OH, CRAP.
!
I CALL NOT GOING FIRST.

ヒュ~
ヒュ~!
C'MON, GUYS.
huff huff
THIS PLACE...IS UPSETTING.
huff huff
HOW MANY TRAPS DID THEY NEED?!
huff huff
I WANNA GO HOME!
huff huff
I THINK THIS PLACE HATES US.
huff huff
BELNIKA'S NOT RESPONDING, POYO!
huff huff
Puun!
......

AND ALL WE FOUND WAS ANOTHER DEAD END!
MAY WE GO BACK?
I'M WITH GRIFF!
HANG ON, GUYS--THERE'S A LEVER HERE.
IT MIGHT OPEN ANOTHER PASSAGE.
DON'T.
DON'T EVEN *TOUCH* THE DAMN THING, HARU.
LOOK AROUND YOU.
IT'S PROBABLY ANOTHER TRAP.
......
I DON'T THINK AN OLD MAN COULD TAKE THIS MAZE.

THEN WHAT ABOUT SHIBA'S SCARF?
PERHAPS SOMEONE PLANTED IT THERE TO LURE US IN.
OR MAYBE HE'S...!
THE SCENERY CERTAINLY DOESN'T BODE WELL.
ANYWAY, WE MIGHT GET KILLED IF WE KEEP GOING.
WE'LL BE FINE!
WE'VE GOTTA TRY!
AREN'T YOU WORRIED ABOUT YOUR TEAM?!
WE SHOULDN'T PURSUE TRAPS.
YEAH-- LET'S GO.
WAIT!
GIVE IT UP, HARU.
I'M GOING BACK!
YEAH, POYO! TRAPS, POYO!
BUT...SHIBA PASSED THROUGH HERE!
WE HEARD YOU THE FIRST TIME.

I'LL GO ALONE, IF I HAVE TO!
HUH?
HEY!
WHAT THE--?!

NNGH!
I-I'M STUCK!
CRAP!
!

DRAG WITH YOUR BODY WEIGHT!
RIGHT!
JUST...
A LITTLE MORE!
NNN!
EEEEE!
STUPID... HARU!
HGGH!
I'M GLAD I SKIPPED THAT DIET!
MY CHUB WILL FINALLY HELP US, POYO!
VROOM.
GUYS!

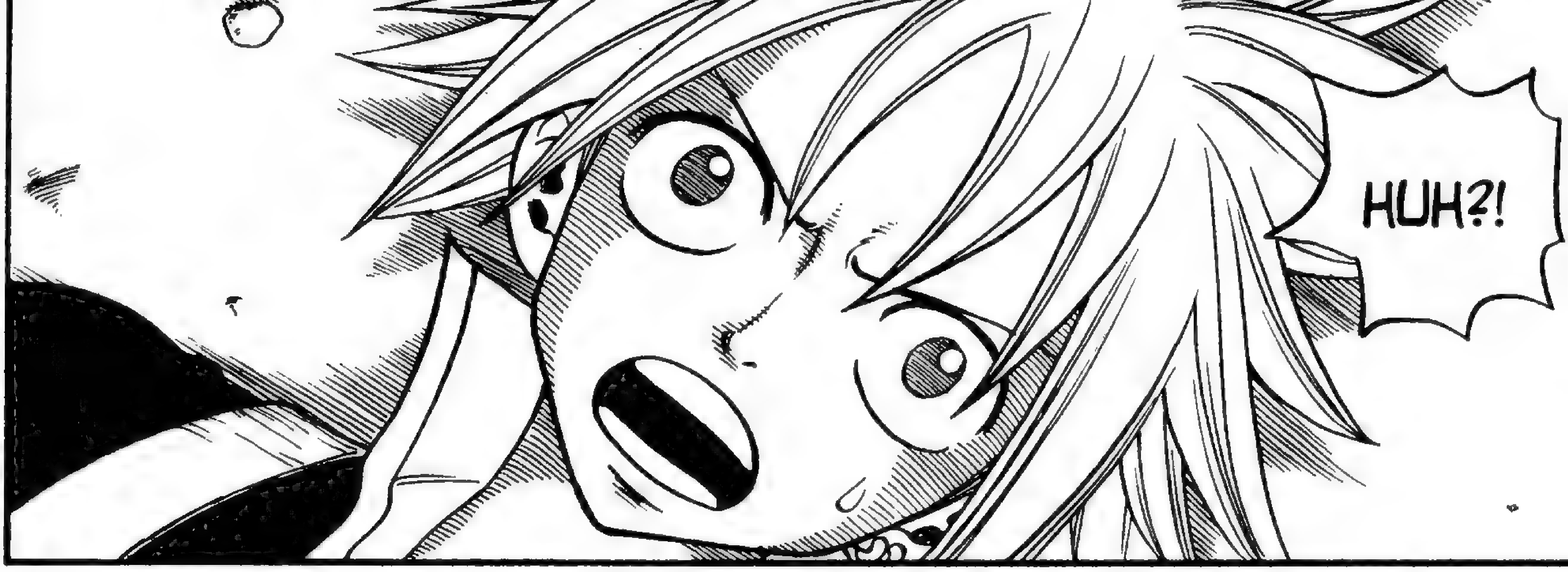
!!!
IT WENT DOWN!
IT'S... NOT STOPPING!
AAH!
ACK!
WHOA!
CHAK
HEY, CHECK IT OUT--THERE'S A DOOR DOWN HERE.
LOOKIT ALL THE ROCKS.
THERE WERE A LOT UP THERE, TOO.
I THINK I SEE.
THEY USED STONES AS WEIGHTS TO MOVE THE FLOOR UP AND DOWN.
....
I'M SORRY, GUYS!
I DIDN'T MEAN TO DRAG YOU ALONG.

WE DON'T TRUST YOUR ACCIDENT-PRONE ASS.
I GUESS I GOT A LITTLE WORKED UP.
WHATEVER. IF THERE ARE THIS MANY TRAPS...
THERE MUST BE SOMETHING GOOD AT THE END.
INDEED.
WE'RE IN. NOW WHAT?
AT LEAST THERE'S NO TRAP.
THERE SHOULD BE A TRIGGER SOMEWHERE.
STONE STATUES ...
!
I SEE LEVERS, POYO!
FOUR OF THEM, IT SEEMS.

UM...CAN I CHECK THE STATUES? I DON'T LIKE LEVERS.
WE'LL TAKE THE LEVERS.
I'LL GNAW THROUGH ANY TRAP THIS PLACE CAN THROW AT US!
GNAW?
WHAT A WEIRD FACE.
I FIGURE ONLY ONE OF THESE LEVERS IS THE ONE THAT WORKS.
YOU'RE PROBABLY RIGHT.
WHAT HAPPENS IF WE CHOOSE WRONG?
OBSESSION, POYO.
HUP!
ガキーん
DON'T JUST DO THAT!
ギ...
ギギ...

GMOO!
YOU COULD'VE ENDED UP LIKE HARU, GENIUS!
YOU SAID IT WAS THE RIGHT ONE!
I SAID ONE OF THEM IS!
WHA?
IS SOMEONE THERE?
THEN I'LL TRY THIS ONE.
CHUNK
WHAT DID I JUST SAY?!
BMPH!
LET'S JUST TRY 'EM ALL UNTIL ONE WORKS.
AGREED! ♡
LET ME TRY, POYO.
CHUNK
NOW THIS ONE.
CHUNK
YOU GUYS'RE NUTS.
DO IT HARDER, ELIE!
CHUNK
CHUNK
YOU BET!
CHUNK CHUNK
CHUNKCHUNK
Aghmff!
Hoogm!

NOTHING'S HAPPENING.
MAYBE IT'S A TRAP TO MAKE US TIRED!
AND ONLY **IDIOTS** WOULD FALL FOR THAT! KNOCK IT OFF!
WHAT IF WE TRY THEM ALL AT ONCE?
THAT'S IT!
WHAT'S... HAPPENING?
ONE, TWO...
PULL!
GYAAAAAAH!
!
CH-CHECK, PLEASE.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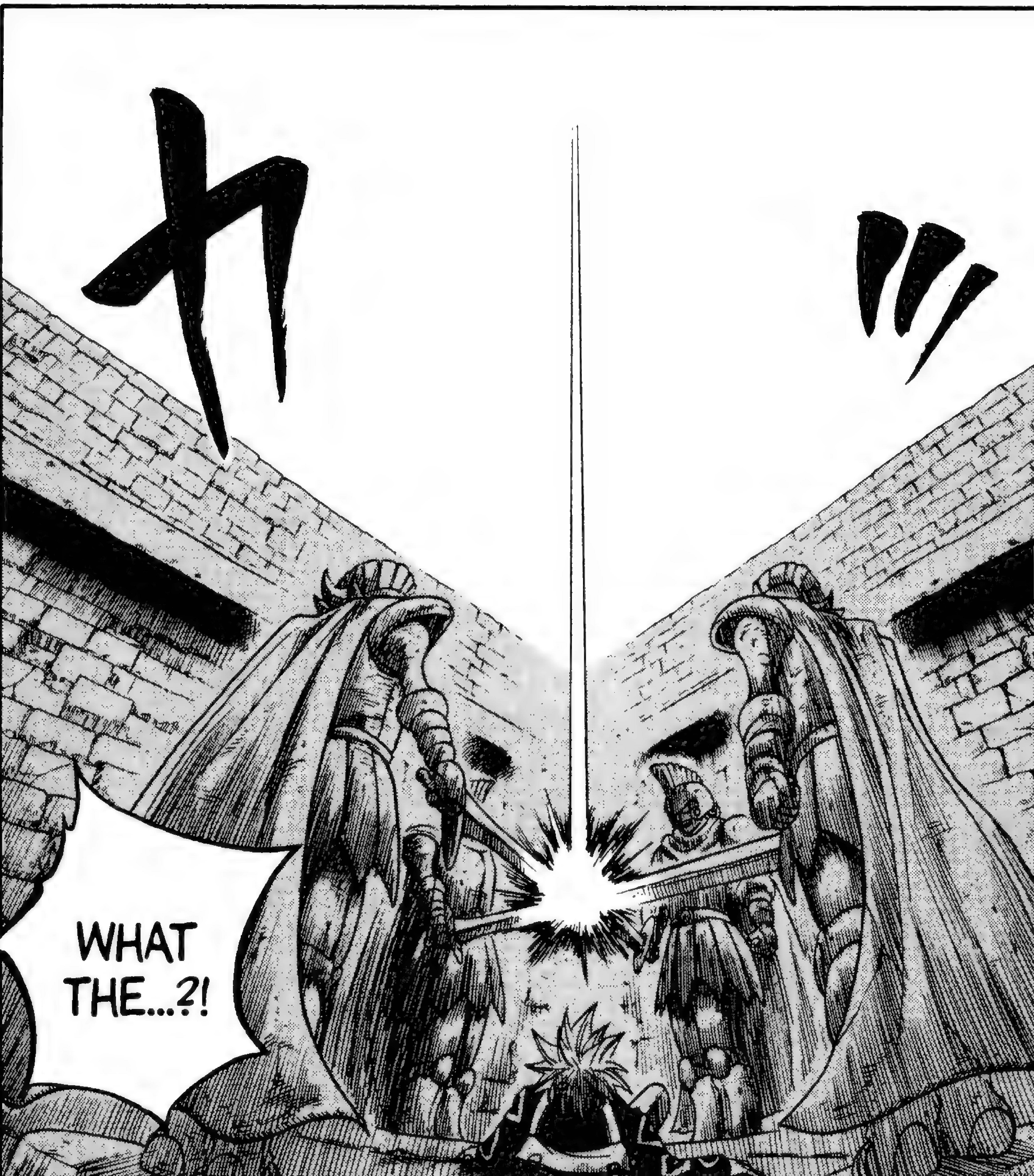
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WHAT THE...?!

Super Mobile Fortress RAVE 2
Toward You in Blue Space
Sequel to the record-breaking hit of 6 months earlier! 2 nd space opera by the great master Hiro Shima!
Can truth be found in the depths of battle?
Let us swear... we warriors of the stars.
Let us pray... upon love flowing in vast space.
Let us dream... that we will reach tomorrow.
0069 NEW YEAR ROADSHOW!

RAVE:237 ✚ ABOUT THE SECOND RAVE MASTER

WHOA!
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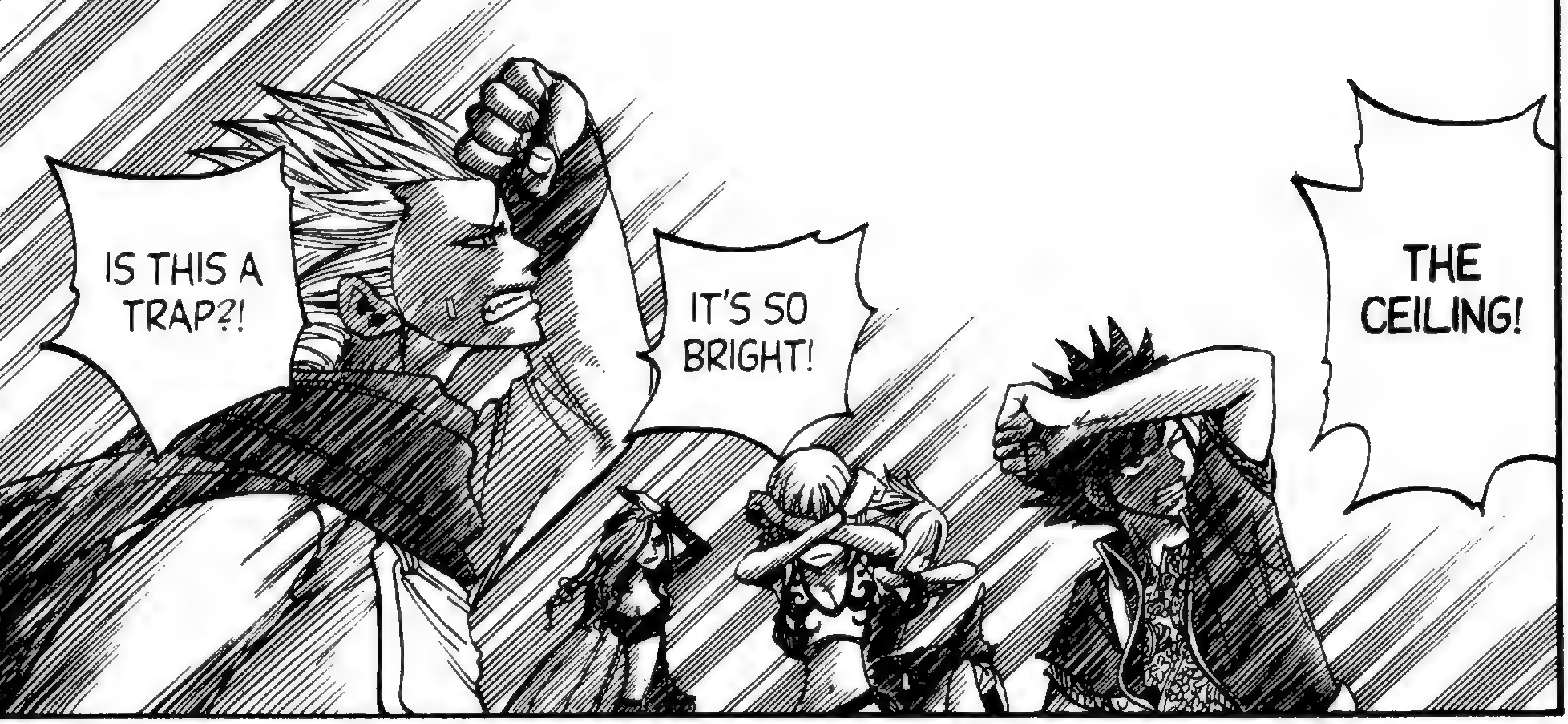
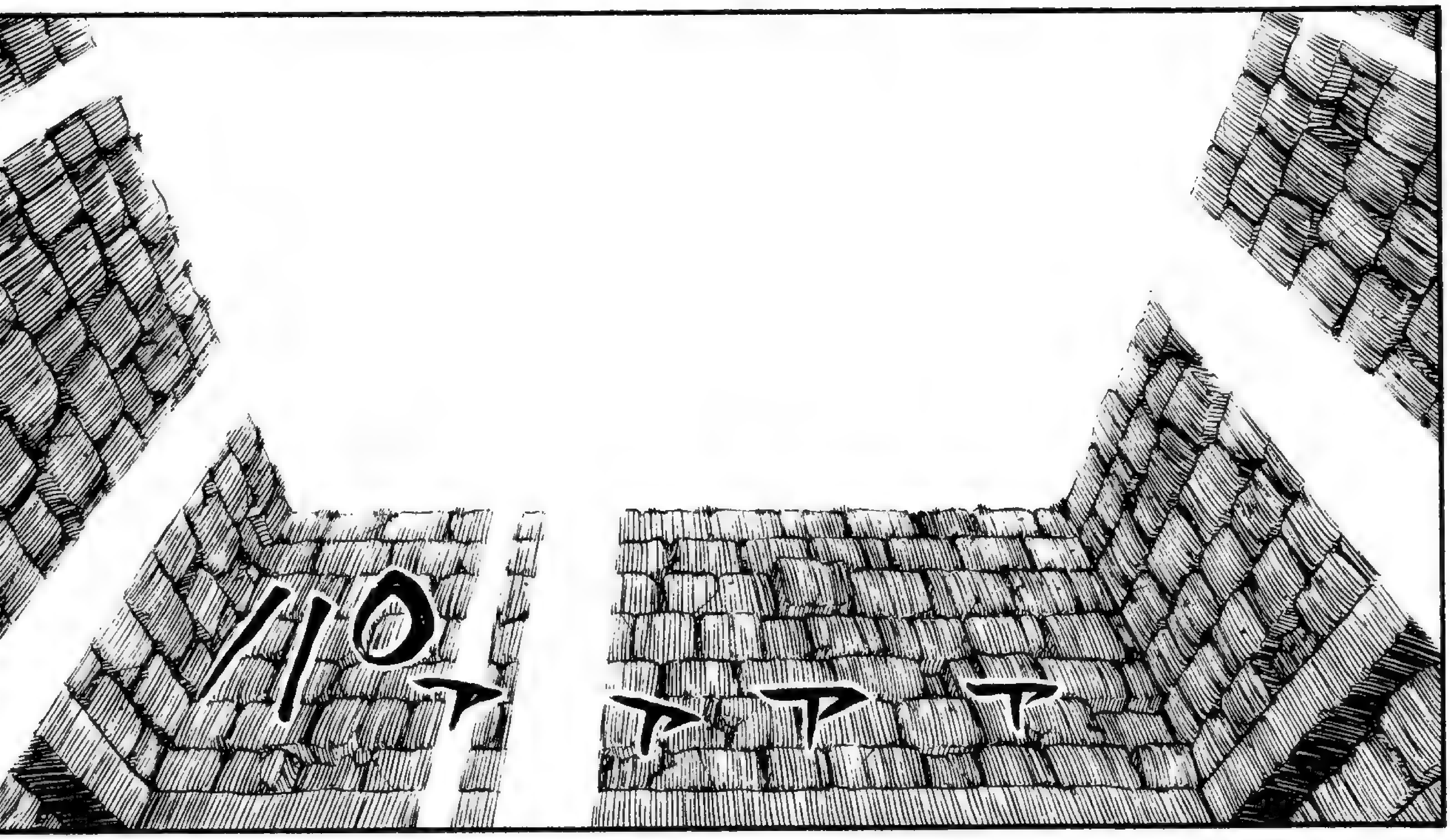
H-HEY!


THE CEILING!
IT'S SO BRIGHT!
IS THIS A TRAP?!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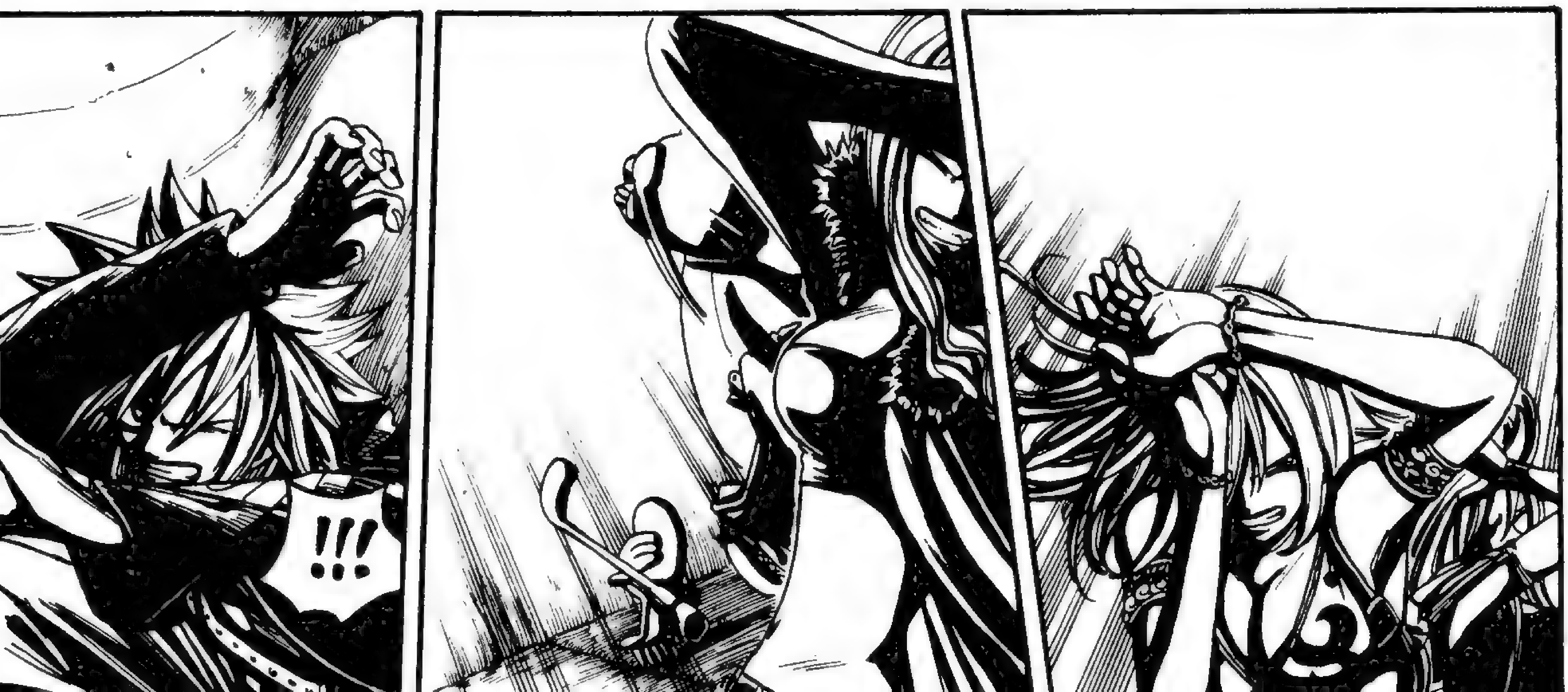
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A BLUE SKY?!
I THINK IT'S A PAINTING.
LOOK, POYO! THE WALLS VANISHED, POYO!
ボォォォォ
YIKES!

WHAT WAS THAT?
Ooh.
IT'S A STONE MONUMENT.
IS IT A TRIGGER?
NO. THIS ROOM...
THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT IT.
PLUE'S AWAKE, POYO.
Puun!!
HAS SOMETHING BEEN FOUND?
FOUR STATUES AND A BLUE SKY.
A BLUE SKY...
THAT'S IT.
I GET IT NOW!

THIS IS THE RESTING PLACE OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE BLUE SKY!
!!!

HERE REST THE HEROES OF THE IMPERIAL WAR.
THIS IS WHY SHIBA CAME HERE!
Puun.
I CAN... HEAR SOMETHING.
WHAT'S THAT SOUND?
A VOICE?
IT'S OKAY... JUST CLOSE YOUR EYES.
I WANNA DO A MOMENT OF SILENCE.

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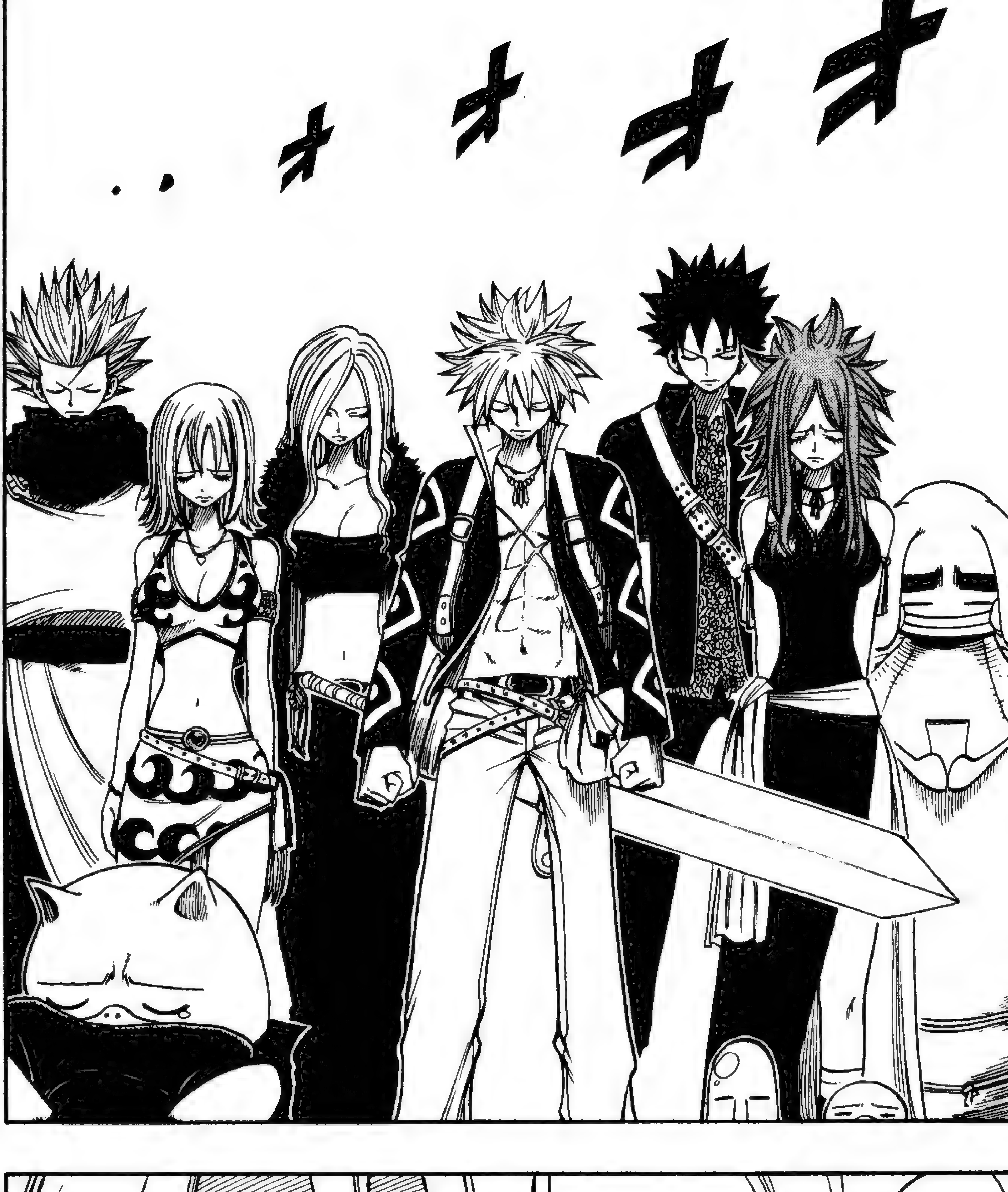
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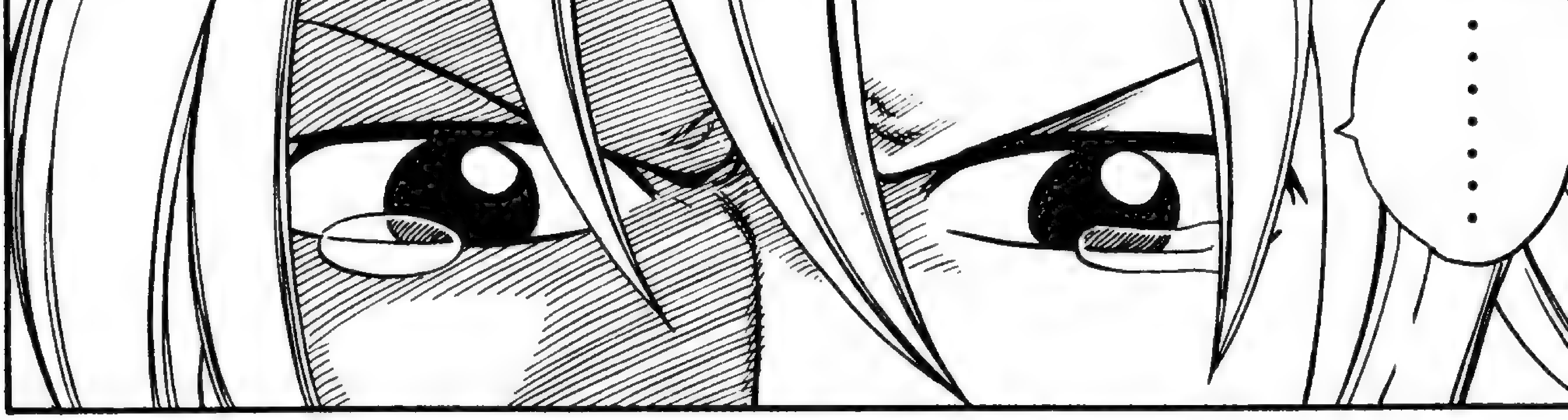
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I'M GLAD WE CAME.
DEERHOUND. CLEA. DALMATIAN. ALPINE.
REST IN--
TING

チリーン!
TINGALING
チリーン!
TING
YOU'RE THE RAVE WARRIORS, YES?
HUH?
!
I'M A SIMPLE GRAVE KEEPER.
TING
THOUGH MY APPEARANCE MAY DECEIVE YOU.

HE'S A CAT!
LEOPARD.
WHY ARE YOU IN THAT FORM?
I AM BUT A SIMPLE DEAD SOLDIER FROM THE WAR.
LIKE THE KNIGHTS OF THE BLUE SKY, THROUGH ALPINE'S POWER...
I CONTINUE TO GUARD THE TOMB IN THE FORM OF AN ANIMAL.
TING
THE POWER OF ALPINE...
!!
YOU DON'T MEAN--
INDEED. THOUGH THE LEGEND SAYS HE FELL DURING THE WAR...
...IN TRUTH, HE ALONE LIVES ON AS A HUMAN.
TING
SHIBA KNOWS MORE THAN I CAN TELL YOU.
THEN YOU'VE BEEN HERE FOR 50 YEARS?
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT LOCALE.
IT DOESN'T ONLY HOUSE THE KNIGHTS' RESTING PLACE.
TING

IT HOLDS THE ENTRANCE LEADING TO THE RAVE OF TRUTH.
YOU'RE KIDDING ME!
THE LAST RAVE'S IN THERE?!
INDEED.

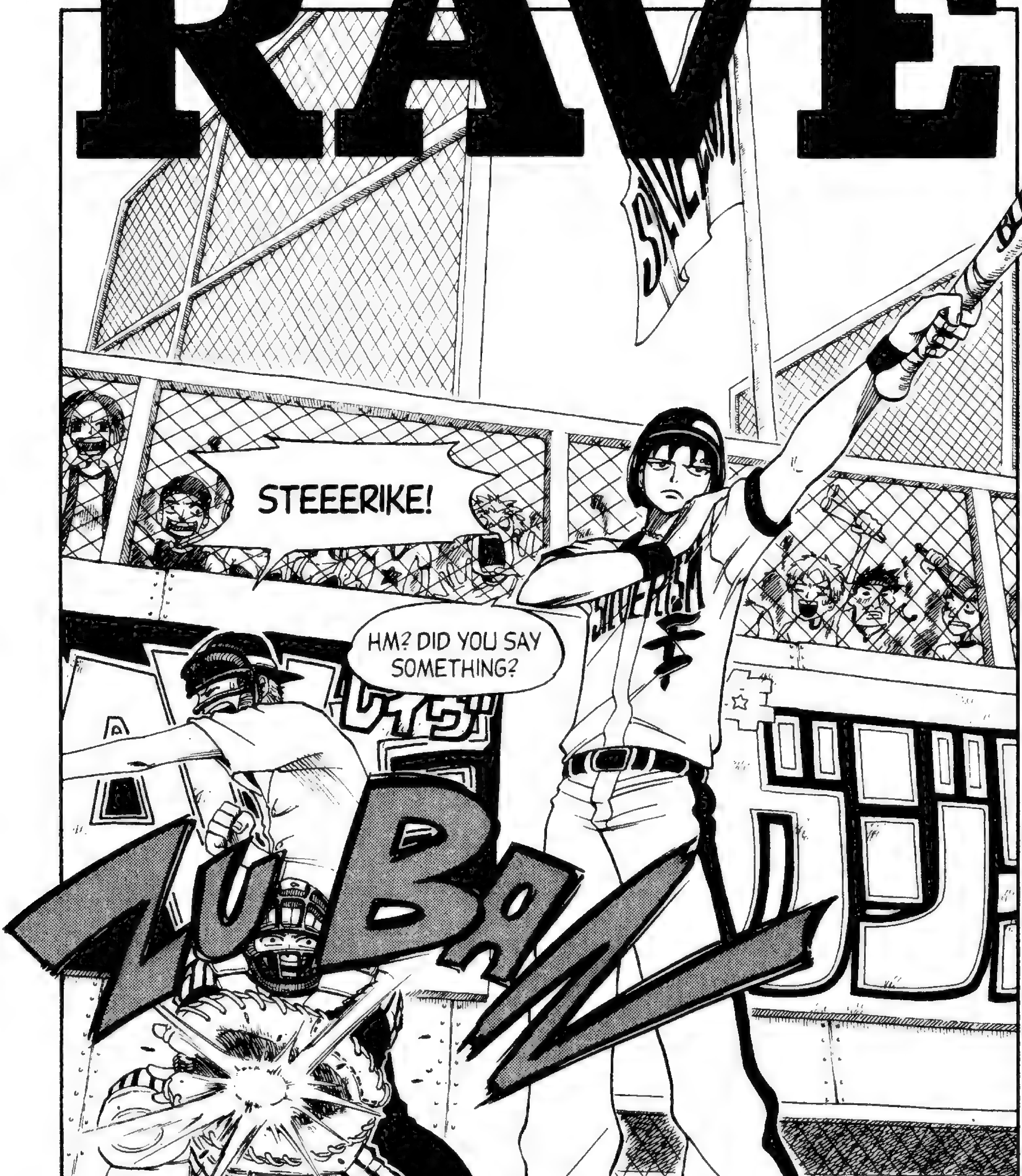
YAY, POYO!
WE MADE IT, HARU!
WHO'DA THOUGHT?
HUZZAH, MASTER PLUE!
Puun!!
?
FOLLOW ME, SECOND.
NOW WE GET TO THE GOOD STUFF.
I CAN'T WAIT!
EVERYBODY HURRY, POYO!
YOU'RE NOT HURRYING, POYO!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE.

!!
HE WHO SEEKS THE RAVE OF TRUTH MUST UNDERGO A FINAL TRIAL.
TING
THE SECOND MUST PROCEED ALONE.
GULP
FINAL TRIAL?
NO!
WE CAN'T GO WITH HIM?!

IT'S OKAY, GUYS.
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.
BUT HARU!
TAP

WE'VE GOTTA HAVE FAITH AND WAIT FOR HIM HERE.
DON'T WORRY--HARU CAN HANDLE THIS.

RAVE


STEEERIKE!
HM? DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?
ZUBAN

RAVE:238 ✠ THE SWORD SAINT RESURRECTED

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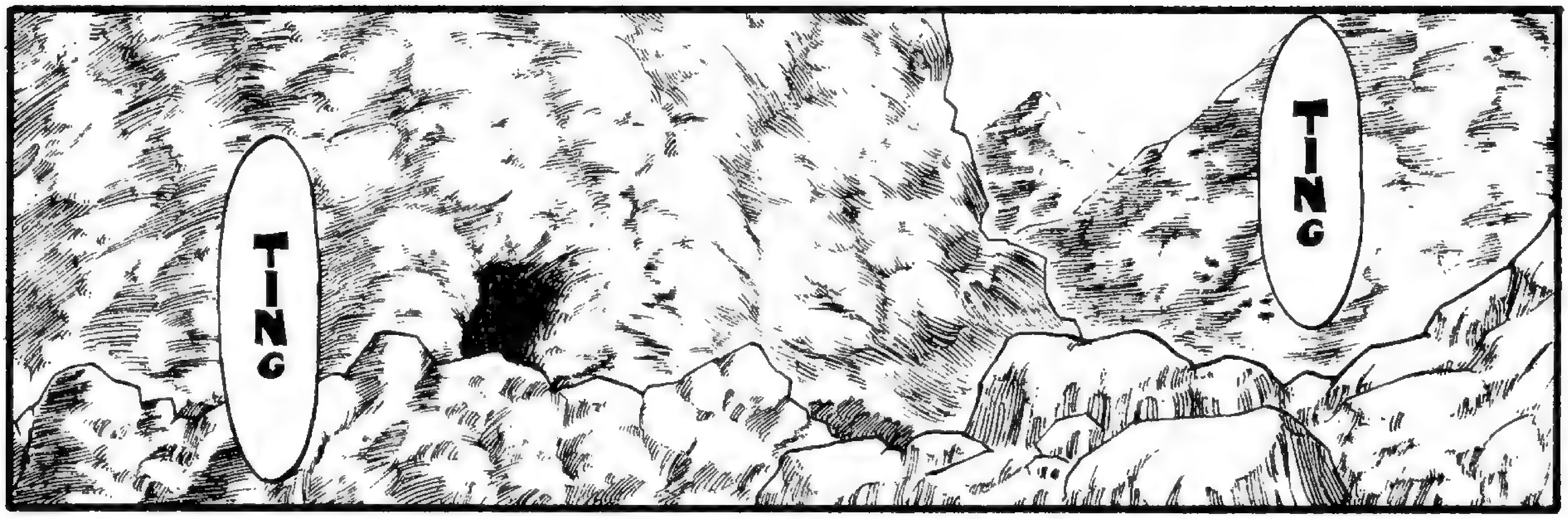
SNAP
EVERY-THING...
...IS LINKED.
WHEN LUCIA HAS ALL THE MOTHER DBS...
...IT MIGHT BE TIME FOR IT.
huff
huff
huff
huff

I HAVE TO HURRY. HE ALREADY HAS FOUR DARK BRINGS.
THE FINAL ONE SHOULD BE SEALED AT MILDIAN.
WE HAVE TO STOP THIS, DAMMIT!
TING
TING
TING
PLEASE, SIEG HART!
DON'T LET HIM GET THE DARK BRING BEFORE I GET THERE!

HARU...
YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME TO ASSEMBLE ALL OF RAVE!

C'MERE, ELIE.
THE WATER FEELS GOOD, POYO!
IT DOES!
YOU'RE PLAYING AT A TOMB, FOOLS.
I WANNA STAY HERE.
WE HAVE NO IDEA WHEN HARU'S GETTIN' BACK.
I SAID I'M FINE!
MAN. SHE ALWAYS GETS LIKE THAT WHEN HARU'S INVOLVED.
IT'S TOO BAD THEY'RE SO TIGHT. RIGHT, BELNIKA?
BUT HEY, I'M AVAILABLE.
I-I, TOO, MUST ACCEPT THEIR LOVE!
HEY. WHAT'S WRONG?
I REALLY DO HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS.
ZZZ
ZZZ

SOMETHING'S... COMING CLOSER...
UH...COULD YOU PLEASE NOT JINX US?
A GHOST, POYO?!
YOU **DID** PLAY AT A TOMB.
I'LL STOP, POYO!
WHERE IS MASTER PLUE?
HUH? HE'S GONE!
HM.
FOLLOWED HARU, POYO?
HARU...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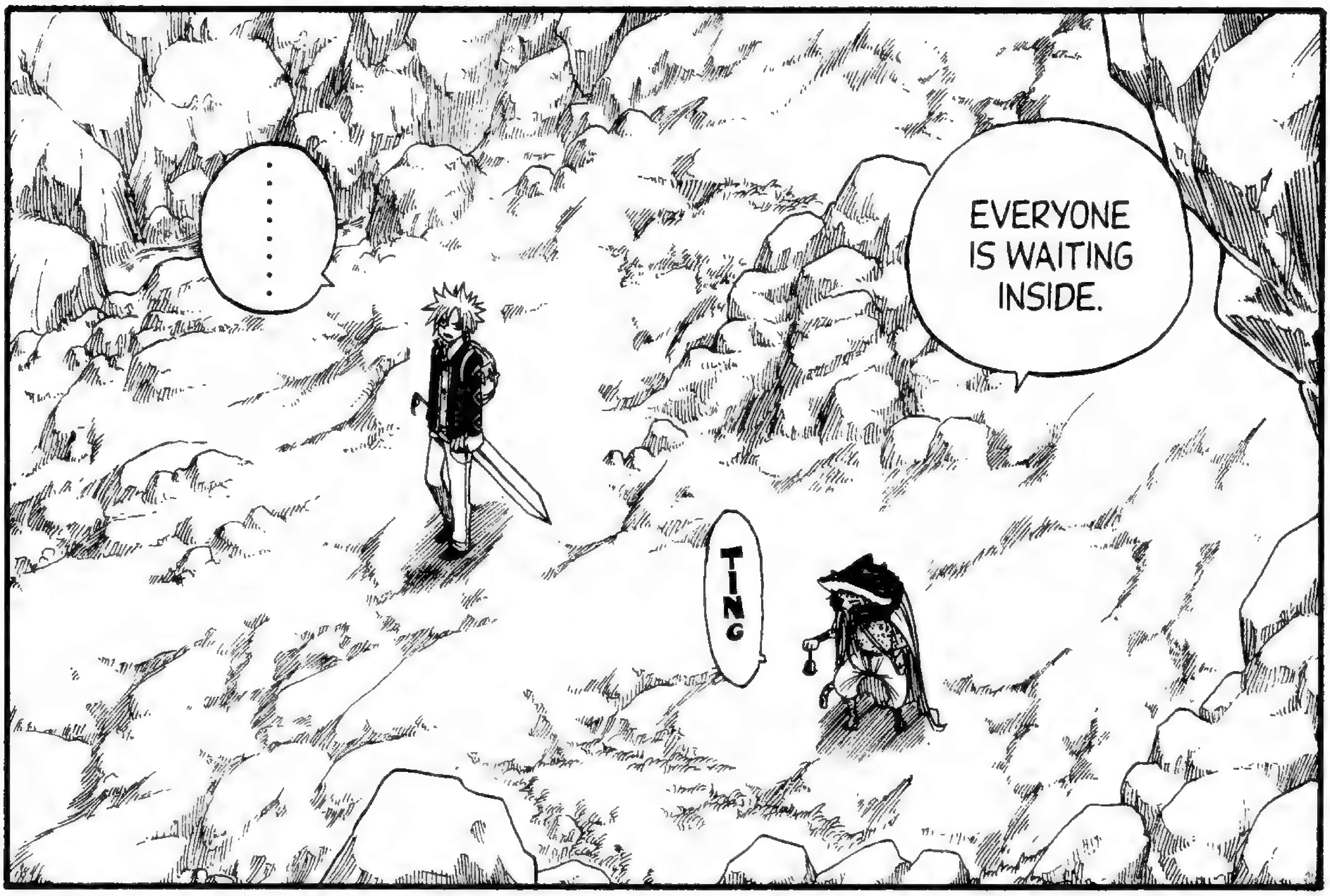
EVERYONE IS WAITING INSIDE.
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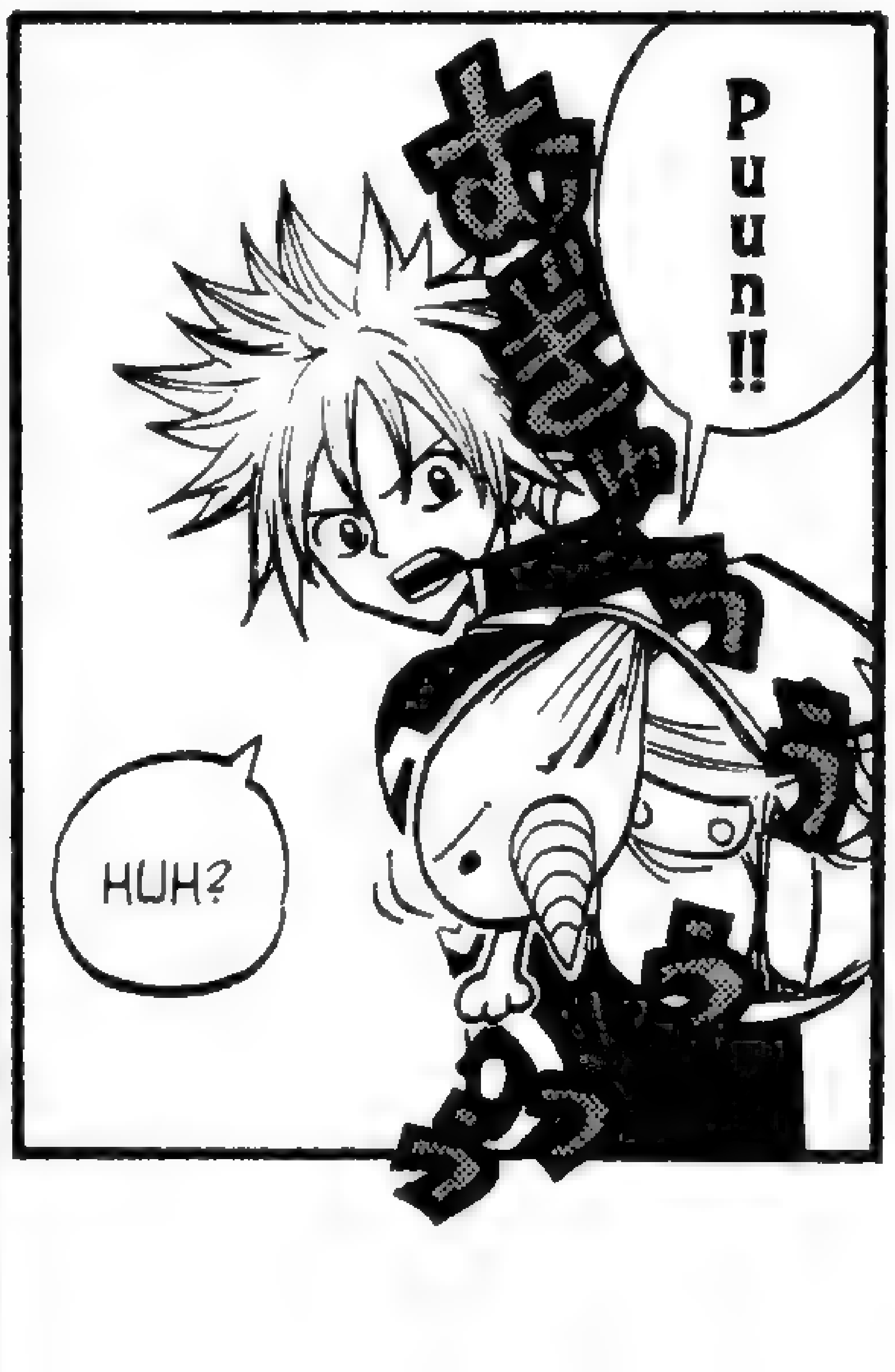
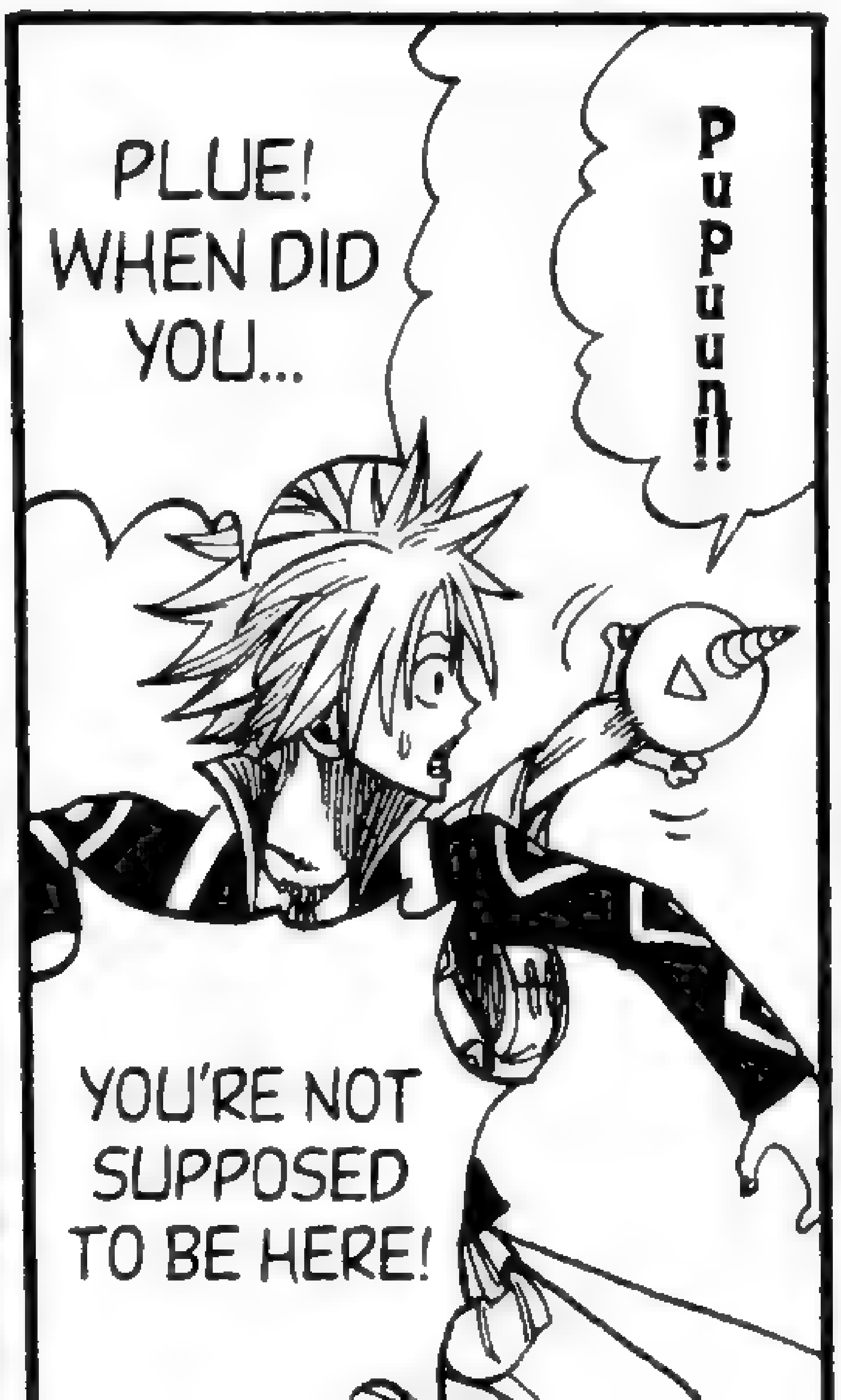

Puun!!
HUH?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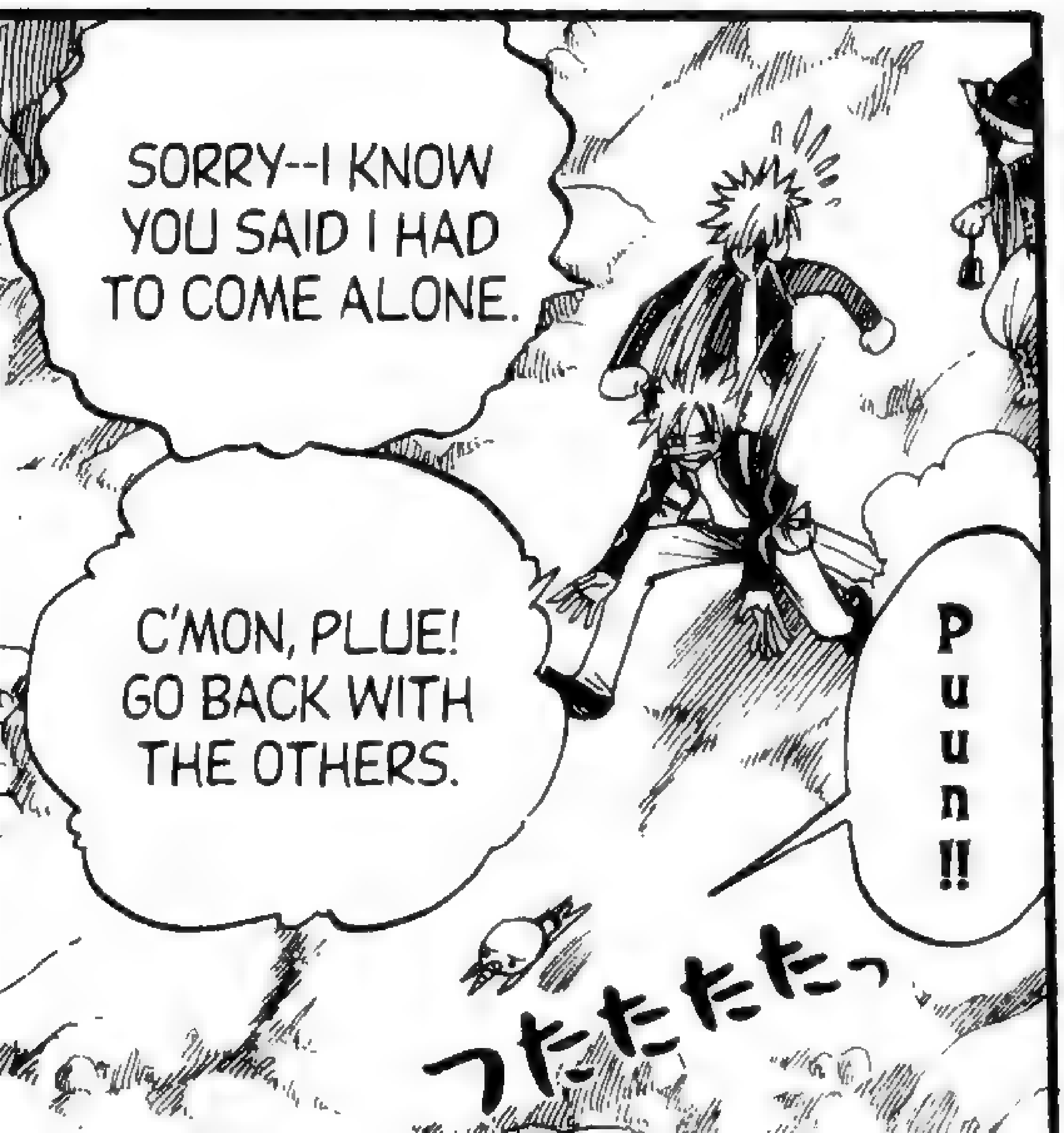
PLUE! WHEN DID YOU...
YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE!


SORRY--I KNOW YOU SAID I HAD TO COME ALONE.
C'MON, PLUE! GO BACK WITH THE OTHERS.
Puun!!
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PLUE CAN BE HERE.
Puun!!
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ぴく
HELLO, HARU.
IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'VE COME.
......
SHIBA!

ズオオオォ…
WHAT?! ALICE AND OLD MAN MUSICA!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?!
I DON'T GET IT, BUT COOL!
IT'S BEEN FOREVER!
HOW ARE YOU GUYS?!

?
HUH?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
What Haru Expected:
It's been so looong, Haru! Boo hoo hoo!
I brought plenty to drink! Bwa ha ha!
Wanna play? Munya munya munya!
Munya!
Munya!
UH...
THEY'RE KINDA OUT OF CHARACTER.
WAIT--I GET IT! THE FINAL TRIAL!
YOU'RE ALL WORRIED, RIGHT?
DON'T BE-- I CAN DO THIS!
HOW DEPENDABLE... SECOND.
?!

I AM ALPINE OF THE FOUR KNIGHTS OF THE BLUE SKY.
I AM THE GUARDIAN OF THE RAVE OF TRUTH.
ALPINE! IT WAS TRUE ABOUT YOU BEING ALIVE!
I'LL BE OFF, THEN.
TING
IT WAS RUDE TO NOT PAY PROPER RESPECT TO A DESCENDANT OF SYMPHONIA ROYALTY.
WHOA WHOA! SERIOUSLY, IT'S OKAY-- I DON'T CARE ABOUT STUFF LIKE THAT.
THEN LET'S BEGIN.
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BEGIN? OH, THE TRIAL.
BRING IT ON!
SHIBA.
MM.

HARU.
THIS IS THE RAVE OF TRUTH.
HOLD OUT YOUR HAND.
TH-THIS IS THE LAST--
?!!

WHAT THE...?
THE LIGHT VANISHED.
HAND IT BACK TO SHIBA.
THE FINAL RAVE HAS THE POWER TO REVEAL THE TRUTH.
OKAY. AND?
THE RAVE OF TRUTH IS SAYING THIS:
HUH?!

"SHIBA IS THE *TRUE* RAVE MASTER."
RAVE'S VOICE IS RESHA'S VOICE.
AND THE VOICES OF DEER, CLEA, DALMATIAN, AND THE POPULACE.
SORRY, BOY, BUT THE VOICES OF THE PAST DON'T ACCEPT YOU.
THAT'S THE TRUTH.

I TOLD YOU SOMETHING A LONG TIME AGO.
THERE'S ONLY ONE RAVE USER IN THE WORLD.
BECAUSE RAVE'S POWER IS SO OVERWHELMING...
...IT'S LIMITED TO ONE USER SO FEWER WILL STRUGGLE FOR IT.
YOU'VE DONE WELL, HARU. NOBODY EXPECTED YOU TO BE HERE.
BUT THE RAVE OF TRUTH CHOSE ME.
IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT THE RAVE HAS SPOKEN.
NOW I HAVE TO ONCE AGAIN--
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! I'LL DO IT! I'M THE SECOND-- I INHERITED RAVE'S POWER!
I TOLD YOU, THERE'S ONLY ONE RAVE USER IN THE WORLD.
FOR YOU TO TAKE MY PLACE IN THE FIGHT AHEAD...
...THERE IS BUT ONE PATH.

ば
YOU MUST SURPASS THE FIRST.
WHAT?!
DEFEAT ME.
THEN YOU'LL BE RAVE'S **TRUE** MASTER.
I-I CAN'T JUST--
BUT YOU MUST. IT ISN'T OUR DECISION.
ALL IS THE WILL OF RAVE.

TAKE IT. IT WON'T LOSE TO THE TEN POWERS.
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ゴク ゴク
REMEMBER, IT ONLY LASTS 15 MINUTES.
I WILL BE THE WITNESS.
H-HOLD ON! I CAN'T FIGHT SHIBA!
HARU...NO. SECOND RAVE MASTER.
YOU HAVEN'T COME THIS FAR TO WHINE LIKE A WEAKLING.
WH-WHAT DID YOU JUST DRINK?
YOUR BODY'S ALL...
DRAW YOUR BLADE.
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どさ
HOLY...
OUR STEEL IS REAL. DON'T HOLD BACK.
IF YOU LOSE THIS BATTLE...

...IN YOUR PLACE...
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...I'LL FIGHT AS THE RAVE MASTER ONCE AGAIN.

....!!!!
....!!!!
....
THE POTION WORKED.
IT'S THE OLD SHIBA.
THE ONE KNOWN AS THE SWORD SAINT.
YOU'RE ...
YOU'RE SERIOUS ?!

WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?
THUD

RAVE
18 Fight! NAGISA
Dragon get the
DRAGON
GLORY VOLLEY
GLORY VOLLEY
ELIE

RAVE:239 ✠ **BETWEEN THE BLADES**

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SHIBA...
!!!
YOU'RE SO FRIGGIN' FAST!
AAGH!

NNGH!

IT'S BEGUN.
LET US WITNESS THE SECOND'S STRENGTH.

HARU'S REALLY IMPROVED SINCE HIS FIGHT WITH LANCE.
Hmm.
ズガガガガガ…
Puun.
Puun.
ざっく ざっく
Puun.
CALM YOURSELF, PLUE.
ざく ざく ざく ざく ざく ざく
I KNOW YOU UNDERSTAND.
THERE CAN ONLY BE...
...ONE RAVE MASTER.
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よろっ
THERE!
I GOT IT!
HALT
!!!
ふぁぁっ FWOOSH
C-CRAP.
I REALLY HAVE TO HURT SHIBA?
SHIBA CAN SEE THAT HE HAS NO INTENT TO KILL.

!!!
ヒュン
....
よろ... よろ...
SPURT
IS THIS REALLY...
...SHIBA?!
WILL HE REALLY KILL ME IF I DON'T KILL HIM?!

YOU MUST SURPASS THE FIRST...
THEN YOU'LL BE RAVE'S TRUE MASTER.
THEN I CAN'T PULL ANY PUNCHES!
I HAVE TO USE EVERYTHING!
EXPLOSION!

!!!
TWIST
TWIST
TWIST
EXPROSION
HUH ?!
ギィーン
WAGH!
THUD

ブリッ
GAAH!
LUNGE
ぐわァァ!
!!!
ごろん
ごろん

HOW ABOUT... THIS?!
ばっ
SILFARION!
シュ
ババババ
ズオオオオ…!!
!!!
WHAT?!

BLUE
CRI--
MEL
FO--
MILLION--
キイイイーン
!!!
ブオオーン
YAAAH!
ドッ

NOTHING'S... WORKING!
huff
huff
huff

THE TEN POWERS WAS ORIGINALLY USED BY SHIBA.
HE'S REGAINED SO MUCH OF WHAT HE ONCE HAD.
ACTUALLY... I THINK HE'S IMPROVED.
HE'S FINALLY GOTTEN USED TO THAT BODY.
NOW HE HAS YOUTH AND EXPERIENCE.
CLENCH
FLEX
DAAAAAH!

AAAAAH!
!!!
NOW I KNOW...

CHINK
...WHY RAVE DIDN'T CHOOSE YOU.

YOUR SWORD IS TOO LIGHT.

RAVE MASTER
PURIN
DOOON

RAVE:240 ✚ THE WEIGHT OF ONE'S SWORD

YOUR SWORD IS TOO LIGHT.
huff
huff
huff
huff
GLARE
THERE'S NO WAY!
CHUNK

HOW CAN YOU CALL THIS LIGHT?!
GRAVITY CORE?
THUD
!!!
YOU FOOL.
YOU STILL DON'T GET IT.
IT'S SO... HEAVY!

HUH?
...
WHAT WAS THAT?
H'' H'' H'' H'' H'' H'' H''...
SPLASH
JUST NOW.
THAT FEELING.
WHAT WAS...

SHIBA AND ALPINE ARE OLD FRIENDS, IT SEEMS.
HUH. I GUESS THERE'S NO POINT IN HIDING IT NOW.
SO YOU ARE MR. GALEIN'S GRANDSON, THEN?
WHY DID MUSICA'S GRANDPA COME, POYO?
TING
MISS ELIE!
WHATEVER. HARU CAN HANDLE WHATEVER IT'S--
!
......
I GUESS THEY CAME TOGETHER FOR HARU'S TRIAL.
IT'S A GEEZER PARTY.
TING
STOP THIS *INSTANT!* DO NOT INTERFERE!
ELIE?
!
MISS ELIE, YOU MUSTN'T!
ばしゃ ばしゃ
YOU MUSTN'T GO!

ばしゃ
I KNOW.
ばしゃ
ばしゃ
I KNOW I SHOULDN'T.
BUT I HAVE TO GO!
BRING THE GIRL BACK!
WHAT IS IT, ELIE?!
ゴゴゴ…
CRACK
CRACK

WHAT'S THIS?
UH-OH.
EARTH-QUAKE, POYOOO!
NO--IT ISN'T!
THIS IS...!
SHUT UP, DORKS.
I'M TRYING TO SLEEP.
!
CHIK
CHIK
CHIK

ガサガサ
ブブブブブ
WH–
ドドドドド
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!

THEY'RE... MYSTIC REALM.
BELNIKA, GET BACK!
H-HOW COULD THEY POSSIBLY BE DWELLING HERE?
GROSS, POYO!
BUGS!
YOU GOT IT.
GETTIN' ALL OF RAVE TOGETHER, ARE WE?
HA!
SOUNDS TASTY.
!

NOW I CAN STEAL 'EM ALL IN ONE PLACE.
GA HA HA!
Kee kee kee!
I MIGHT EVEN GET A COUNTRY OR TWO OUT OF IT.
BERIAL.
CRACK
CRACK

UHN...
OW.
THAT HIT WAS... HEAVY.
A SWORD'S WEIGHT DOESN'T COME FROM ITS MAKER.
ガばっ
IT'S FROM THE FEELINGS WITHIN IT.

THE STRENGTH OF EMOTION BECOMES THE WEIGHT OF YOUR BLADE.
AGH!
DAMMIT!
がばっ

ALL OF HIS HITS ARE SO POWERFUL!
NNGH!
IT'S FROM HIS SWORD'S FEELINGS?!
BUT...
I NEVER LOSE IN A FIGHT OF FEELINGS!
!!
I SEE. HE CAN'T BLOCK THE SWINGS...
...SO HE DODGED UNDERNEATH THEM.
ALL THE EMOTIONS...
...I'VE EVER FELT FOR THIS WORLD...

...MAKE ME STRONG!
"EMOTIONS FOR THE WORLD"?
HE BLOCKED IT?!
DON'T BE NAIVE!

THAT'S A SERIOUS INJURY!
HALT
SUCH IS BATTLE.
どさっ
HGGH!
GGH...
GAHCK!
ポタ…
ポタ…
YOU'VE SEEN THE WORLD...
...AS THE SECOND FOR TWO LONG YEARS.
YOU'VE FACED DEATH MANY TIMES.
YOU GREW MUCH MORE THAN I EXPECTED IN MIND AND BODY.
NOBODY'S DENYING THAT.
BUT...

IT'S *ONLY* BEEN TWO YEARS.
I'VE CARED FOR THIS WORLD FOR 50.

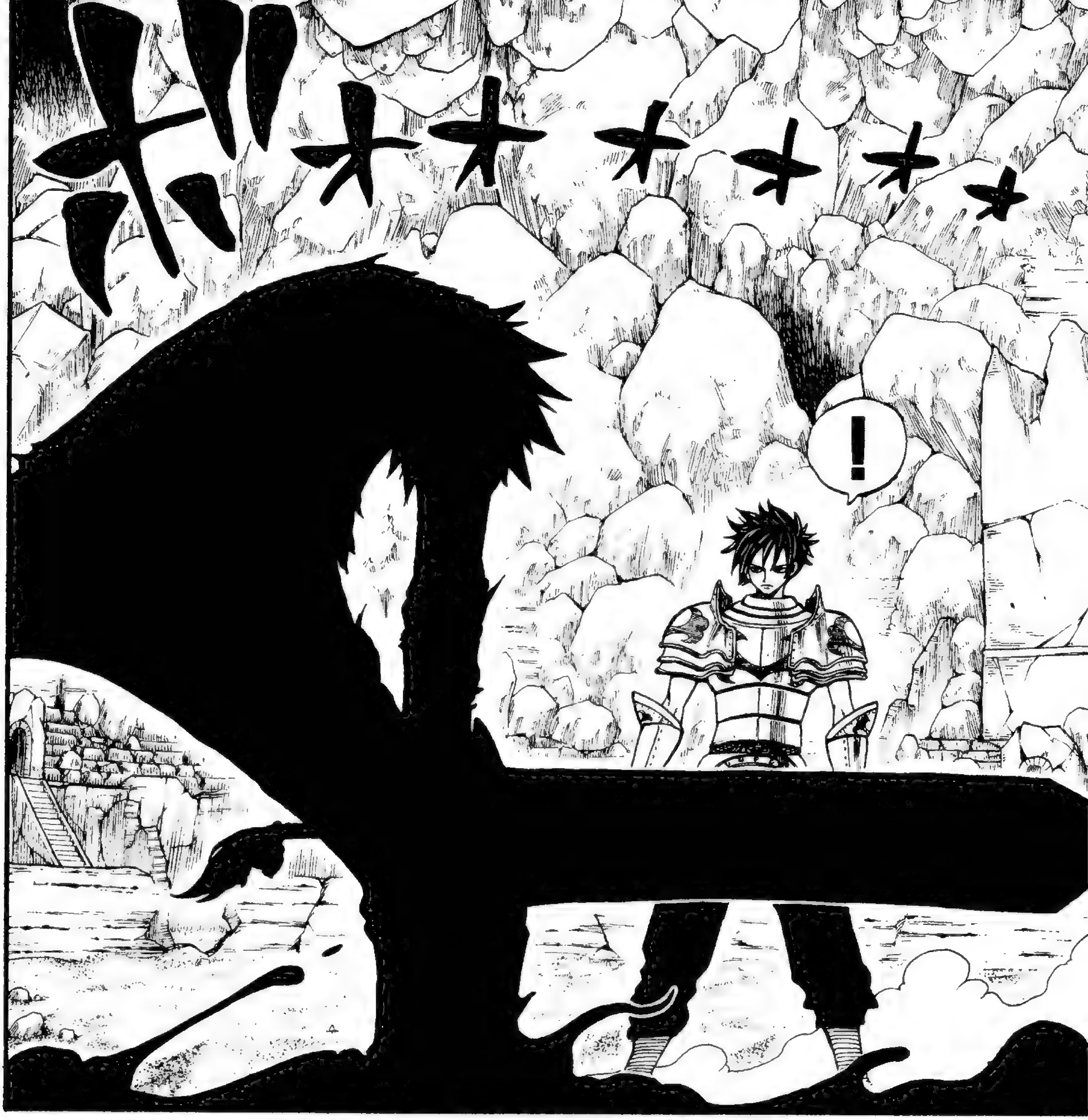
50 YEARS...
I-I CAN'T WIN.
NOT IF THIS IS ABOUT WHO'S BEEN AROUND LONGER.
I'LL NEVER LIVE UP TO THAT.

DO YOU KNOW...
...WHY I FOUGHT FOR SO LONG?
ぴく
ぴく
ぴく
IT WAS MY FEELINGS FOR A SINGLE WOMAN.
EVERYTHING WAS FOR RESHA.

SHE'S KEPT HIM GOING FOR 50 YEARS.
RESHA...
THEN...
THEN...
WHAT AM I FIGHTING FOR?!

Piiiiiii
Victory
FIGHT
YOU WIN!
SPEED!
SWIM VICT
M★R
RAVE

RAVE:241 ✚ FOR WHOSE SAKE?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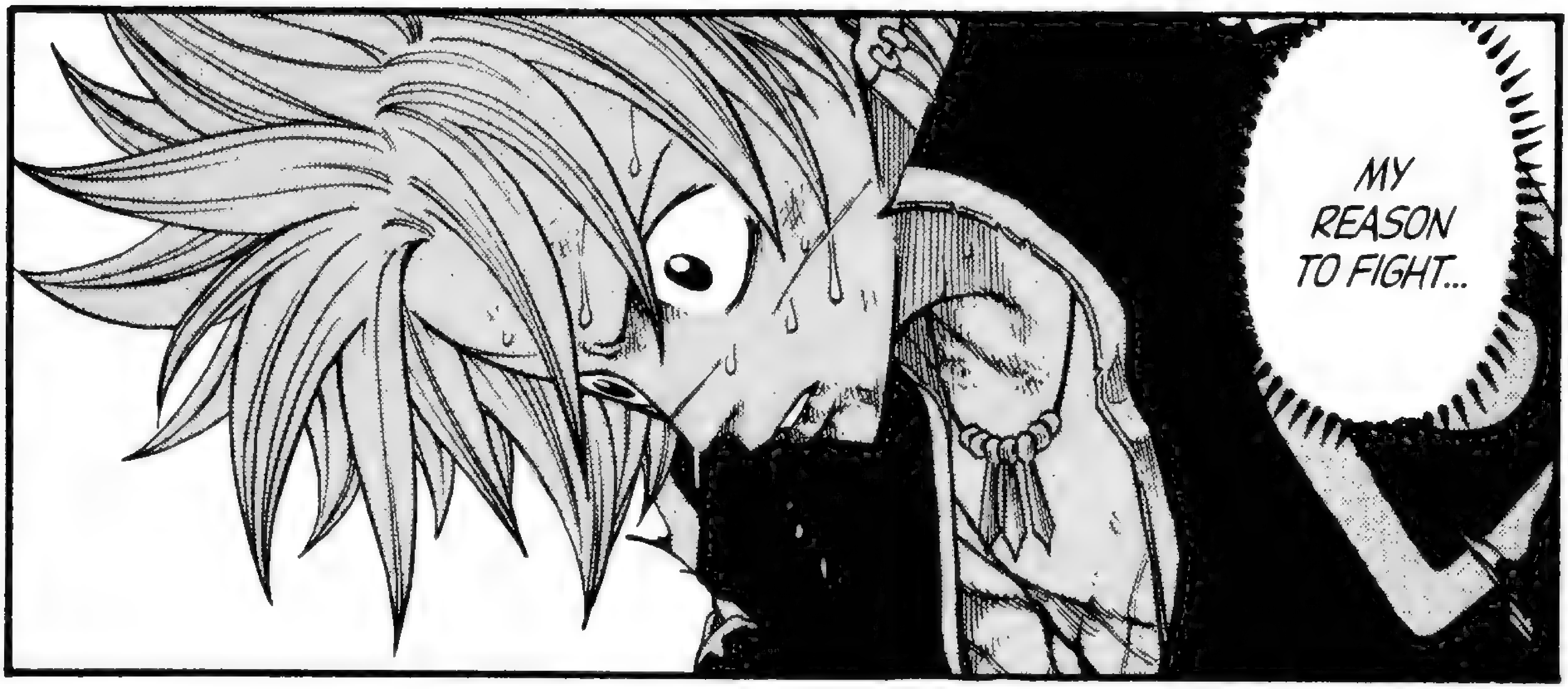

MY REASON TO FIGHT...

HE GOT UP.
THIS IS WHAT MATTERS.
WHY DOES HE STAND?
WHY DOES HE SWING HIS SWORD?
WHY PROTECT THE WORLD?
ONE WHO CANNOT SEE HIMSELF...
...CANNOT SEE THE WORLD.
ぶああっ
WAIT! HARU ISN'T PREPARED TO DEFEND!

FOR GARAGE ISLAND?
FOR MY SIS...?
FOR MY FRIENDS?
キィ
THAT'S NOT ENOUGH?!
SHIBA IS INDEED BETTER WITH THE SWORD.
AND THIS IS A TRIAL?
IS IT?!
HE LOOKS LIKE HE INTENDS TO KILL HARU!

THAT MIGHT WELL BE.
GAHA!
STOP THIS! NOW!
YOU SAID NOTHING ABOUT KILLING HIM!
ROLL
ボヘッ
コロ
コロ

ズガガガガガ
I HAVE MY OWN REASONS FOR DOING WHAT I DO.
LOTS OF REASONS!
BUT SHIBA'S FEELINGS FOR RESHA...
...OVER 50 YEARS...
CAN I WIN AGAINST THAT?!

I'M SO PATHETIC.
Pu-puun.
HARU...
"I'LL PROTECT YOU, ELIE."
NOT EVEN ONE GIRL.
AFTER ALL THIS, I'M NOT GONNA HAVE PROTECTED A THING.
NOT EVEN ELIE.

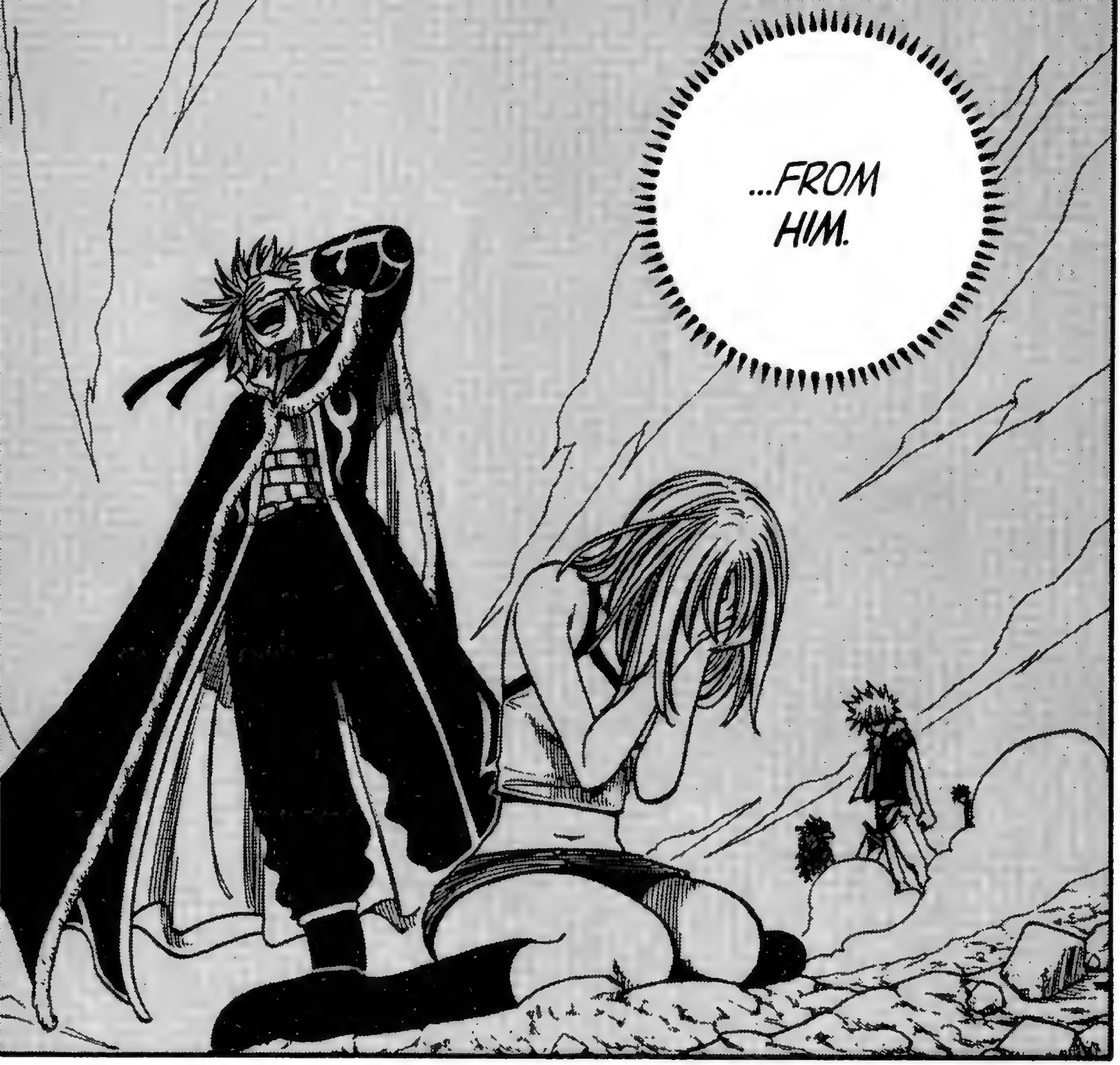
ELIE?!

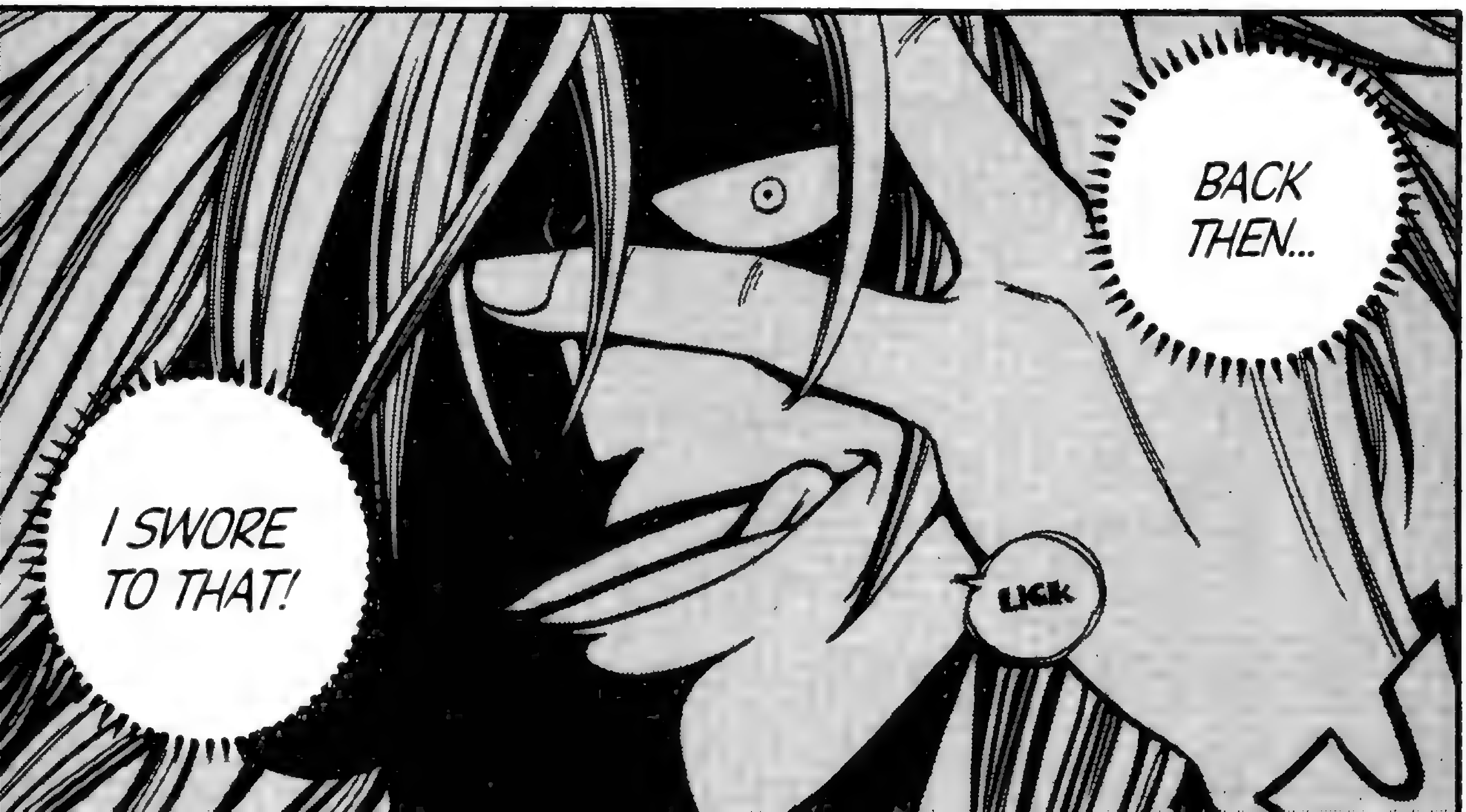
!!!
WHAT?
SHIBA'S SWORD!
HE DEFLECTED IT.
....
huff
huff
huff
huff

YOUR SWORD IS STRONG.
……
THAT ATTACK HAD FEELING TO IT.
ELIE...
THAT'S IT!
GLARE

HA-RUUU!!
WHAT I'M SEARCHING FOR IS...
...MY MEMORY.
I THINK PLUE'S REALLY AN INSECT.
I...
I WANNA GO CHECK IT OUT--
AAH, IT'S THE BEST. ♡
I WANNA PROTECT ELIE.

FROM WORRYING.
HE SAID ...
I MUSTN'T BE ALLOWED TO LIVE...
FROM SADNESS.
CAN'T I DO ANYTHING?
FROM FEAR.
AND MORE THAN ANYTHING...


...FROM HIM.


BACK THEN...
LICK
I SWORE TO THAT!

HE MADE ELIE CRY.
SO I'LL FIGHT HIM!!!!
THAT'S MY REASON TO FIGHT!

CRACK
WHAT?! MY SWORD!
パァァ...
THAT'S ONE FEELING...
CLANG
...THAT WON'T LOSE TO ANYONE!

I'M FIGHTING FOR ELIE!

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ボワワワー!
WELL DONE.
SH- SHIBA!
LOOK.

PAPAPAPP
RAVE...
...HAS ACCEPTED YOU.

RAVE
HARU
HAR
DOOON!!!
SPECIAL STRIKE! EXPLOSION SHOOT!
CHAMPION
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RAVE:242 ⊕ INSIDE OF RESHA...

カァァァァ…
MY DUTY IS NOW DONE.
どさっ
MM...
NOW I'VE FINISHED... EVERYTHING.
hack!
koff!
koff!
SHIBA!

HURRY AND TAKE RAVE INTO YOUR HAND.
koff!
FORGET THAT! ARE YOU OKAY?!
hgck!
CRAP, WHAT DID I DO?!
ALICE! GIVE HIM A POTION OR SOMETHING, WILL YA?!
Puun!! Puun!!
……
HURRY!
IT'S THE POTION I DRANK EARLIER.
IT GRANTS YOUTH IN EXCHANGE FOR LIFE SPAN.
!
NO POTION WILL WORK ON ME NOW.
I'M GOING TO DIE.
ARE YOU... SERIOUS?
コク
NOD
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!
WHY WOULD YOU GIVE HIM THAT?!

hic!
DO YOU...
DO YOU THINK I **WANTED** TO GIVE HIM THE POTION?
hic!
IS THAT... SNFF!... WHAT YOU THINK...?
ggh...
hic!
hic!
......
Nn...
Nngh!
WE... TRIED TO STOP HIM.
はふっ
WE'RE HIS OLDEST FRIENDS.
THAT SHOULD GO WITHOUT SAYING.

BUT IT WAS... MY DECISION.
IT'S NOBODY'S FAULT.
TH-THEN YOU...
...MEANT TO DIE? FROM THE BEGINNING?
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU SAID!
YOU SAID YOU'D FIGHT IN MY PLACE IF I LOST TO YOU!
THAT W-WASN'T A LIE.
I JUST HONESTLY BELIEVED THAT YOU WOULD WIN.
I TRUSTED IN THE IDEA...THAT YOU WOULD SURPASS ME.
huff
huff
huff
AND THAT WAS WORTH THE COST OF MY LIFE.

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NO...
ぶる…
NO! I...
Nngh!
ガくん
I'VE KNOWN YOU SUCH A LONG TIME!
hic!
L-LISTEN TO ME, HARU.
LIFE IS A JOURNEY.
C'MON, SHIBA! YOU'RE NOT REALLY GONNA DIE, RIGHT?
RIGHT?!
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ハッ
Puuun!!
Puuun!!
TO JOURNEY...
...IS TO LIVE.

SHIBA, DON'T DIE!
PLEASE, DON'T DIE!
I'VE S-SIMPLY REACHED THE PLACE...
...WHERE MY JOURNEY ENDS.
DON'T... Hggh!
DON'T SAY THAT! Nngh!
AS I REACHED THIS PLACE...I FELT MY LEGS GROW TIRED.
IT WAS LIKE THEY WERE CARRYING TOO MUCH WEIGHT.
HARU...
THIS ALSO APPLIES TO YOU.

YOU'RE CARRYING MANY THINGS ON YOUR SHOULDERS.
THE HOPES, DREAMS...AND FUTURE OF THE WORLD'S PEOPLE.
PERHAPS IT IS TOO MUCH FOR ANY ONE PERSON.
S-SO LET YOUR FRIENDS... CARRY IT WITH YOU.
MORE BACKS WON'T ADD TO THE WEIGHT.
HOWEVER... THERE'S ONE THING ONLY YOU CAN CARRY.
THE DESIRE TO PROTECT THE ONE MOST PRECIOUS TO YOU.
Mmph!
Nn!
hic!
I BELIEVE THAT THAT IS LINKED TO PROTECTING THE WORLD.

YOU'VE BECOME THE TRUE RAVE MASTER.
NOW... G-GO.
TUMP
huff
huff
huff
huff
ELIE...!

!!!
LADY RESHA?!
……
RESHA…
UM, I'M SORRY.
I KNOW I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO COME--
!

SHIBA!
UHN!
むくっ…
HOW CAN HE STAND?!
OH...
ふらっ
UHN...
UHN...
RESHA...
SHIBA...?

DEER AND THE OTHERS SPOKE OF HER.
SHE'S EXACTLY LIKE THE TRUE ONE!
gulp
HUH? WHAT'S...
WHY AM I CRYING? I...
HUH?
I SEE...
I'LL BE BACK AGAIN TOMORROW, OKAY?
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANNA GIVE YOU!
I SEE...
ポロ…
WHEN LADY RESHA IS GONE...
...THIS STONE SHALL VANISH COMPLETELY.
I FINALLY...UNDERSTAND.
RESHA IS ALIVE!

フラ〜
M-MAY I CALL YOU... MISS ELIE?
よろ
よろ
コクコ
NOD
P-PLEASE HEAR AN OLD MAN'S LAST REQUEST.
YOU LOOK SO MUCH... LIKE HER.
MAY I...
...HOLD YOU? J-JUST ONCE?
RESHA...
ぎゅっ
SNIFF

WHAT IS IT, SHIBA?

I H-HAVE TO TELL YOU.
SOMEDAY, YOU MIGHT THINK OF WHAT RESHA DID...AND HER CRIME.
BUT DON'T WORRY. YOU HAVE NOTHING TO REPENT FOR.
WHEN THE TIME COMES, BE STRONG...I'M SURE YOU WON'T FALTER.
BECAUSE WHAT RESHA DID, CRIME OR NO, WAS THE RIGHT DECISION.
YOU M-MAY NOT UNDER-STAND NOW.
BUT PLEASE DON'T FORGET... THIS OLD MAN'S WORDS.
コク
NOD
THANK YOU...

THANKS TO YOU...
...MY JOURNEY IS FINALLY OVER.
I CAN GO HOME.

THAT WAS THE DAY THAT THE FIRST RAVE MASTER, SHIBA ROSES, DEPARTED THIS WORLD...
SHIBAAAAAAA!
...AND PASSED ALL OF RAVE TO THE SECOND, HARU GLORY.

RAVE MASTER

RAVE:243 ✚ THE SWORD SAINT'S BATON

UGH!
PLEASE HIDE, ELDER!
THIS IS NOTHING FOR A FORMER IMPERIAL SOLDIER!

YAAAAH!!
NOOOOOOO!!
!!
ギゅるるる
GGHHP!
MUSICA!

I'M FINE!
WORRY ABOUT YOUR OWN FIGHT!
SORRY.
THERE'S NO END TO THESE DAMN THINGS!
IF THIS KEEPS UP, WE'RE SCREWED.
AIM FOR BERIAL! IF WE FINISH HIM, THE REST MAY FALL!
WHERE IS THE CUR?!

RIGHT HERE!
!!
LET!
YOU TOOK OUT JEGAN, HUH?

AND YOU KILLED REINA.
WHA?
はっ!!
AH!
ぶシューおおお
I'M NOT THEM, BOYOS.
YOU DON'T STAND AN ICE CUBE'S CHANCE IN HELL.

EVERYBODY, PUT YOUR BACKS TOGETHER!
THAT WAY, THEY CAN'T GET US FROM BEHIND.
R-RIGHT!
POYO!
THIS IS GETTING BAD. WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
I KNOW.
THE BUGS ARE KEEPING US FROM BERIAL.
わさわさ
わさ
I HATE THESE FREAKING THINGS!
CALM YOURSELF, JULIA.
ザパッ

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LOOK WHO JOINED THE PARTY.
HARU!
WHAT?!
...IN HIS ARMS.
IS THAT ...?
M-MASTER SHIBA!
IS HE...?

すっ…
WHO'S THE OLD FART? WAIT, IS THAT SHIBA?
HE'S **DEAD**?! THAT'S GREAT! GA HA HA HA HA!
Kee kee kee.
ふるふる
すくっ

I WANNA BURY SHIBA.
SO GET LOST. NOW.
OKAY, BOYS-- THE MAIN COURSE HAS ARRIVED!
DINNER IS SERVED!

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NOW I GET TO SHOW YOU...
...THE REAL POWER OF MY DARK BRING!
SHUT UP!
THIS...
...IS A PLACE...

...WHERE WARRIORS REST IN PEACE!

A SINGLE BLOW ?!
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?
YIKES.
HE'S STRONGER THAN BEFORE, POYO?!
INDUBI-TABLY!

ガサガサガサ
TH-THE INSECTS ARE RETREATING!
カパ
ガ..
ガ..
ブブブ!!
SHIBA, DID YOU SEE?
YOU DID NOT CHOOSE THE WRONG MAN.

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パチ
パチ
パチ
パチ
パチ
パチ
パチ

チラッ
HOW HEART-BREAKING!
BUT NOW THAT WE HAVE ALL OF RAVE...
コク
SHIBA...
I GUESS THIS REALLY IS GOODBYE.
THANK YOU.
キイイ
イイ

WITH ALL OF RAVE ASSEMBLED...
...WE ELDERS HAVE DONE OUR DUTY.
THERE IS JUST ONE LAST THING I MUST DISCUSS WITH YOU...
HUH?
THE TRUE NATURE OF THE DARK BRINGS.

RAVE MASTER
NOOOOO

RAVE:244 ✚ HOW THIS WORLD BEGAN

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!

AREN'T YOU COLD?
HARU.
EVERYBODY'S WAITIN' FOR YOU.
IT'S FUNNY. I ONLY MET SHIBA TODAY...
...BUT IT REALLY DOESN'T FEEL THAT WAY.
MAYBE IT'S RESHA'S MEMORIES SLEEPING INSIDE ME.
THANKS FOR THE BLANKIE.
BLANKIE? THAT'S ACTUALLY ALICE'S LOINCLOTH.
EEEEK!
KIDDING. HA HA!

Y'KNOW, SPYING ON PEOPLE...
...IS PRETTY FREAKIN' RUDE.
THAT GIRL'S GROWN INTO QUITE A WOMAN.
Oooh, yes.
I HEARD THAT.
YOU HAVE TOO, HAMRIO.
ME? Quite a woman?!
くねっ
YOU HAVE GOOD EYES.
MAKE ME A SWORD...
...FOR THE WORLD.
BWA HA HA! YOU ALL HAVE GOOD EYES.
COME ON INSIDE.
はむっ
はは ははっ
ARE YOU SENILE?

THIMP
THIMP
ARE YOU DONE MAKIN' US WAIT?
YOU'RE GONNA TELL US THE TRUTH ABOUT DB, RIGHT?
BEFORE THAT...
CLINK
AN HOUR-GLASS?
IT'S FALLING TOO SLOW. SHAKE IT AROUND, IT'LL WORK BETTER.
TIME.

MANKIND COMMITTED A CRIME AGAINST TIME. THAT IS ENDLESS.
A CRIME AGAINST TIME?
MR. SAGA TOLD US THAT AS WELL.
HE SAID THAT ENDLESS IS A BEAST BORN FROM SOMEONE CONTROLLING TIME LONG AGO.
WHO WOULD DO SOMETHING SO CRAZY? AND WHY?

LONG AGO, IN ANCIENT TIMES...
...THIS WORLD WAS CRUMBLING.
!!!
MANKIND WAS ON THE EDGE OF EXTINCTION.
PERHAPS I SHOULD SAY MANKIND **WAS** DESTROYED.
THE TEMPERATURE ROSE; THE WORLD TURNED TO DESERT.
THERE WAS PLAGUE. MANY DEATHS AND FEW BIRTHS.
IT WAS A WORLD SOON TO END.
FINALLY ...
THERE WAS BUT ONE HUMAN LEFT IN THE WORLD.

WHAT?!
W-WAIT A MINUTE!
ONLY ONE? BUT THAT MEANS NO KIDS!
I GUESS WE DON'T NEED TO HAVE THAT TALK.
IF THERE WAS ONLY ONE PERSON LEFT...
...THEN HOW DO WE EXIST NOW?!
STAR MEMORY.
THE LAST HUMAN REACHED STAR MEMORY...
...AND TURNED BACK TIME.
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BACK TO WHEN THE WORLD WAS FERTILE AND ALIVE.
CLINK

THE VERY LAST HUMAN...
...REWROTE HISTORY.
THE KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE WORLD...
...LINKED IT TO A FUTURE WITHOUT THAT DESTRUCTION.
THAT CREATED THE WORLD WE LIVE IN NOW.
A PARALLEL WORLD.
I-I'VE HEARD THAT TERM BEFORE!
ポヨポヨポヨ
WOW, POYO! A PARALLEL WORLD, POYO!
PUT SIMPLY, A PARALLEL WORLD...
...IS A SECOND WORLD.
A SECOND WORLD?!

THE WORLD WAS SPLIT IN TWO.
IT REQUIRED THE CONTROL OF TIME AND SPACE.
?
HOW?!
IT'S QUITE SIMPLE.
THIS IS THE AXIS OF TIME.
Past
Timeaxial
SCRTCH
THE DYING WORLD EXISTS ALONG THIS AXIS.
BUT WHEN STAR MEMORY REWROTE HISTORY...
...WE RETURNED TO THE PAST TO CREATE A NEW FUTURE.
SCRRRTCH
Parallel World
Past
Timeaxial
futu
Star memory

IN OTHER WORDS, THE WORLD WHERE HUMANITY SURVIVES IS THIS NEW OFFSHOOT.
World where humanity survives
Return to Past
Star Memory
PAST
FUTURE
World where humanity dies
Day that Changed History
THE REWRITTEN WORLD.
THIS IS INSANE!
WE'RE IN THE PARALLEL WORLD?!
NO...!
THERE WAS NO OTHER WAY TO SURVIVE.
BUT AT THAT TIME, A POWER TO RESTORE HISTORY WAS ALSO BORN.
WHAT?!
THAT POWER...
IT COULD WIPE AWAY OUR WORLD AND EVERYONE WITHIN IT.

...IS ENDLESS, KING OF OBLIVION.
HIS PURPOSE IS TO ANNIHILATE OUR REWRITTEN HISTORY.
HUMANITY WAS GIVEN A CHANCE FOR A NEW FUTURE...
...BUT IT WAS ALSO GIVEN THE TERROR OF ENDLESS.
ENDLESS GROWS BY ACCUMULATING OUR HATE AND AMBITION.
HE IS AN AWESOME, UNSTOPPABLE POWER.

ENDLESS WILL NOT STOP UNTIL HE WIPES AWAY THIS PLANET!
キュキュキュッ
HE WILL ANNIHILATE OUR WORLD-- THIS ENTIRE DIMENSION!
AND THIS ABSOLUTE POWER...
...WILL SOON BELONG TO A SINGLE PERSON!
?!!...
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Mildian
バサッ
バサッ
バサッ
バサッ
SIEG!
SIEG HART!

!!
WHAT?!
AM I TOO LATE?
ブーフェルル
!
HEY! HANG IN THERE, BOY!
WHAT HAPPENED TO SIEG?!
Y- YOU'RE A FRIEND?

ブオオオ

I'M HERE FOR THE LAST DARK BRING.
HEY.
DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME?

OKAY.
FINE.
I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO KILL YOU.

I NEED TO KNOW WHERE SIEG IS, KID!
HE'S IN... MILDIAN HEART.
AND WHERE THE HELL IS THAT?!
KID!
ドドドドド…
N- NIEBEL.
I DIDN'T ASK WHAT YOUR NAME IS! STAY WITH ME!

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TO BE CONTINUED

EXTRA PAGES

The pictures from the trash bin.

Assistant CHIDA'S GRADUATION SPECIAL

I'M CHIDA. I'M GRADUATING FROM MY **RAVE MASTER** BATTLEFIELD TRAVELS.
IT'S BEEN FUN...AND HARD. A LOT OF THINGS HAPPENED, LEAVING ME WITH A LOT TO THINK ABOUT. TAKE CARE, EVERYONE.
ペコッ
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
MASHIMA! SIR!
DO YOU PLAN ON LEAVING WITHOUT SHOWING ME WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED AND MASTERED HERE?
I-I'LL SHOW YOU THE RESULTS OF MY STUDIES, SIR!
ははー
GOOD. NOW, **DRAW ME BONY!**
YES, SIR!
ぼにーん
WHAT?!
THAT'S PRETTY... STERN. NEXT, **NAKAJIMA!**
SIR!

んふう〜
WHAT?!
ARE YOU DRAWING THESE SERIOUSLY?
Seriously.
OF COURSE, SIR!
THIS MASTERY IS ALL THANKS TO YOU AND THE REST OF THE STAFF.
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
......
UM...OKAY. HOW ABOUT GRIFF? HE'S EASY, RIGHT?
どん!
WAIT A MINUTE!
どーん!
WHY'D YOU CROSS OUT THE FIRST ONE? AND WHERE ARE HIS HANDS?!
I MESSED UP THE FIRST ONE.
THEY LOOK EXACTLY THE SAME!

THEN LET ME DRAW YOU RUBY NEXT.
ポヨ?
POYO?
THAT'S IT!
HE DOESN'T HAVE A NOSE!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
THAT SUCKS!
NOSES ARE HARD FOR ME.
ANYWAY, I'D BETTER GET GOING. I'LL COME BACK TO HELP FROM TIME TO TIME.
DON'T BOTHER.
AH... CHIDA, MY BOY.
THANK YOU. I SILENTLY WATCHED YOU GO WITH A FATHER'S HEART.
BUT MY ARTIST'S HEART WAS A LITTLE WORRIED. SERIOUSLY, MAN.

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OH, CRAP.
WHAT ARE BILLY AND CHIKICHITA YOSHIMOTO DOING HERE?!
WE'RE ALL CLOSEST FRIENDS, BOSS.
HEH.
EH HEH HEH.
Aaa
aaa!!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHY DO I REMEMBER THEIR NAMES?!
YOU CAN BE OUR FRIEND TOO, MASTER LEVIN.
THERE ARE MORE OF THEM!
DON'T RANDOMLY APPEAR TO CROWD UP MY WALL!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, GIMME BACK MY HOUSE!

To be continued?

AFTERWORDS

WHY DO BIG SHOTS WRITE LIKE THEY'RE PAINTING CALLIGRAPHY? IS ANYONE WITH ME ON THAT? ANYWAY, ABOUT TODAY! MASHIMA HERE. DID YOU LIKE RAVE MASTER VOL. 29? OUR HEROES FINALLY HAVE ALL OF RAVE. IT SURE TOOK A WHILE. I HONESTLY MEANT TO WRAP THIS UP IN 20 VOLUMES, BUT THINGS GOT REALLY LONG. YOU'D THINK I'D BE REALLY MOVED WHEN DRAWING SHIBA'S FINAL SCENE, BUT...I WONDER?

A WHILE BACK, I WAS TOLD THERE WAS THIS ARTIST WHO CRIED HIS EYES OUT EVERY TIME HE DREW A CHARACTER'S DEATH. MAYBE THAT'S NATURAL WHEN YOU FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT A CHARACTER. SORRY, BUT I SHED NO TEARS FOR MY OWN MANGA. NOT FOR GALE'S DEATH, NOT FOR REINA'S; I WASN'T MOVED AT ALL. BUT WHEN I DREW SHIBA'S DEATH, I FELT SAD, IN A WAY. I GOT A LITTLE TEARY WHILE DRAWING THE MANUSCRIPT. I WONDERED HOW I COULD TELL THE READERS THE TALE OF SHIBA'S LIFE IN THE MAIN RAVE MASTER STORY. I DID MY BEST WITH IT.

I THOUGHT IT'D BE GOOD TO HAVE SHIBA COMPARE HIS LIFE TO A JOURNEY THAT WAS FINALLY REACHING ITS DESTINATION. FAREWELL!

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WILL DIE IN THE VOLUMES AHEAD. HM...I WONDER IF I'LL GET TEARS WHILE DRAWING AGAIN. (SNIFF)

Hiro MASHIMA